

## **St. John the Baptist Catechetical Team Interest Form**

As a parent, you are invited to be part of your child's catechetical formation by being involved in the St. John religious education program. This is a great way to demonstrate faith in action for your children! If you cannot commit to being a regular weekly catechist, there are many other ways to be involved. We invite you to look over the options below.

### **CATECHIST**

A catechist is part of the evangelization team here at St. John. Catechists are called to serve through teaching, witness, prayer, service and building community. We acknowledge catechists as disciples who engage or lead in teaching formal religious education. While we acknowledge parents as the primary catechists of their children and the essential partnership of the family in catechesis, we use the term "catechist" for those primarily called to work in the ministry of youth evangelization. The Archdiocese of Cincinnati requires all those having contact with children complete safe environment training and provide consent for a background check. Catechists must also accept to grow in the faith by taking part in our certification program.

### **SUBSTITUTE CATECHIST**

A substitute catechist presumes the same responsibility of a catechist but in the absence of a regular catechist assigned to a grade level. Our substitute catechists have the freedom to accept or decline a request at the time it is made. The Archdiocese of Cincinnati requires all those having contact with children to complete safe environment training and provide consent for a background check. Catechists must also accept to grow in the faith by taking part in our certification program.

### **YOUTH FACILITATOR**

A youth facilitator (formerly known as a classroom aide) is someone who assists the catechist in the classroom. The Archdiocese of Cincinnati requires all those having contact with children to complete safe environment training and provide consent for a background check.

### **YOUTH SMALL GROUP LEADER**

Small group leaders help our students seek the truth, live out their faith and provide mentorship. The Archdiocese of Cincinnati requires all those having contact with children to complete safe environment training and provide consent for a background check.

### **HALL MONITORS**

Hall monitors are an essential part of our weekly religious education sessions. Hall monitors ensure that students are in the correct classrooms, pick up weekly packets from catechists and assists in other ways throughout the evenings. The Archdiocese of Cincinnati requires all those having contact with children to complete safe environment training and provide consent for a background check.

### **PARKING LOT MONITORS**

Parking lot monitors assist with guiding our traffic flow at dismissal. The Archdiocese of Cincinnati requires all those having contact with children complete safe environment training and provide consent for a background check.

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I am interested in receiving more information on being a:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Catechist    Sub Catechist    Youth Facilitator    Sm Group Leader    Monitor    Assistant

I am unable to commit to helping out at this time

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**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH  
YOUTH EVANGELIZATION**

**2023-2024**

Dear Families,

As you know, our class sizes are getting bigger, and we want to make sure we continue to provide the best experience for your child & our catechists. Our needs for next year are as follows:

Kindergarten: 2 Catechists    4 Youth Facilitators (class aides)

1<sup>st</sup> Grade:    3 Catechists

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:    3 Catechists

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:    2 Catechists

4<sup>th</sup> Grade:    2 Catechists

5<sup>th</sup> Grade:    2 Catechists

6<sup>th</sup> Grade:    2 Catechists

7<sup>th</sup> Grade:    2 Catechists

8<sup>th</sup> Grade:    2 Catechists

9<sup>th</sup> Grade:    2 Catechists

10<sup>th</sup> Grade:    2 Catechists

11<sup>th</sup> Grade:    2 Catechists

12<sup>th</sup> Grade:    2 Catechists

I will also be looking for 2 CRE Assistants who can help on a rotating basis as well as many hall & parking lot monitors.

Please consider how you can help our program this coming year.

Thanks,  
Chris Wibbenmeyer