

APPLICATION FOR PARISH CATECHIST

The position of catechist in a parish is particularly significant, since it is a mandate of the Church that all Roman Catholics are entitled to ongoing religious education. It is the responsibility of the parish that catechists be practicing Roman Catholics; continuing to develop their skills in imparting the faith as it comes to us through the teachings of the Church, and that catechists themselves be enriched in faith as they generously give their time and talents to the local parish.

The parish has a special responsibility for the religious education of its children. For this reason, we ask all catechists to fill out the following application, commit themselves to the ongoing training that occurs on their local level, and take seriously the witness they are to the children/youth and their parents.

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip _____ Home Phone _____
Employed by _____ Business Phone _____

I am applying for position of parish catechist at the _____ grade level.

Education

| Degree | Name/City | Area of Study | Yr. Graduated |
|------------------|-----------|---------------|---------------|
| High School | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| College | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Graduate School | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Other (Describe) | _____ | _____ | _____ |

Previous experience as a religious educator:

Participation in parish organizations or activities:

I have been a member of this parish for _____ years.

I was previously a member of _____ Parish in _____ for _____ years.

References: (list name, address, phone number, at least one priest.)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Have you ever used a surname other than those indicated on page 1?

Yes ____ No ____

If yes, state name: _____

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CALL:

Name: _____ Home phone: _____

Employed by: _____ Business phone: _____

Physician of choice _____ Phone: _____

Special concerns, needs, or medical information the Catechetical Leader should know; i.e., allergies, medications, special health conditions:

I certify the information contained in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I am committed to attending catechist formation sessions, giving religious instruction to the children/youth in the parish, and seeking diocesan certification as a catechist through the parish.

I authorize the Diocese of Rockford or its agents to undertake any investigation it deems appropriate in connection with this application, including contact with all prior employers and a criminal background check.

I am aware of the Illinois Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act and its requirements.

Signature of Catechist

Date