

Certificate in

CATECHETICAL MINISTRY

What are the requirements?

The certificate requires successful completion of 300 clock hours of course work, or a Basic Catechist Certificate and 270 clock hours of additional courses.

What do studies entail?

Students must attend classes, complete reading and assignments, participate in discussion, and take exams for a grade of “C–” or better, or earn a “Pass.”

How much does it cost?

Tuition runs from \$35 to \$75, depending on length of course. Discounts are available for auditors and groups of four or more. Cost of books is extra for each course.

When and where are courses offered?

Courses are held primarily in the evening, year-round, at parish and diocesan sites. Schedules and registration are online.

How long does it take to complete the certificate?

Taking one course at a time, one evening per week, requires approximately three years. Certificate-seekers also may go at their own pace, taking fewer courses per year and longer to finish.

Visit us online for details of all the diocesan certificates, or call (858) 490-8212.



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What courses do I need?

Completion of the Certificate requires at least 300 clock hours taken for credit via the following Institute courses:

- C110** Catechism of the Catholic Church (15 hrs) *
- Choose 1 { **S100** Faith Growth: Childhood & Early Adolescence (15 hrs) *
- { **S150** Adult Faith Formation (15 hrs) *
- S120** Catechetical Methods (15 hrs)
- C120** Local Church (15 hrs)
- C200** Introduction to Morality (30 hrs)
- C210** Introduction to Old Testament (30 hrs)
- C220** Introduction to New Testament (30 hrs)
- G100** Fundamental Theology (15 hrs)
- G120** Introduction to Spirituality (30 hrs)
- G130** Christology (30 hrs)
- G140** Ecclesiology (30 hrs)
- G150** Introduction to Liturgy and Sacraments (30 hrs)
- G200** Pastoral Focus for Cultural Diversity (15 hrs)

** Students with Basic California Catechist Certification are dispensed from C110 and S100/S150.*

(Candidates may transfer up to 90 clock hours of equivalent courses from other institutions.)

California Master Catechist Certification

Upon completion of the Certificate in Catechetical Ministry, those interested may apply to the Office for Evangelization and Catechetical Ministry for Master Catechist Certification. Candidates are accepted on the basis of educational background, catechetical experience, recommendation of a parish or diocesan staff member, a successful interview, and completion of the 30-hour Master Catechist Formation Course.