It's amazing how much one learns going through the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd formation to work with the children! The Catechist formation helps us to learn more about our faith and the Church and working with the children helps us to fall in love with God all over again.

How the Ministry Works:

Weekly sessions are for 75 minutes for the after-school program. The time varies from 45 – 80 minutes for the in-school program.

- Catechists are required to complete CGS formation, beginning with Level I (ages 3-6).
- Aides are needed to assist weekly or bi-weekly during session times, both in school and after-school, especially in the Level I and II atria.
- Artists and craft makers are occasionally needed to paint small figures, 'sculpt' clay figures, do calligraphy work, basic sewing projects, and some small wood-working projects.

Expectations:

Catechists:

- complete enriching faith formation to train to become a catechist.
- arrive about 20 minutes before the children to make sure the Atrium is prepared.
- during the session they share weekly presentations with the multi-age children in their classes.
- remaining class time is used to assist children in using the materials, or 'works,' in the atrium. All materials are provided in the atrium.
- 'restores' the Atrium after class to make sure that the room is ready for the next session.

Assistants:

assist children in their work, as needed.