



# CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

## Level 1 Adult Formation Course

Part 2: June 9-11, July 7-9; September 23; November 4, 2023; February 10, 2024  
Fridays 5:00-8:30pm;  
Saturdays and Sundays 9:00am - 4:30pm

### WHAT IS THE CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD (CGS)?

CGS is a Montessori-based method of religious formation for children ages 3-12, where children can grow in their relationship with God through a deep engagement in Scripture and Liturgy.

### GOD AND THE CHILD

CGS is based on the belief that God and the child are already in a relationship.

*"The child...so rich in love...seeks something (Someone) to correspond to it...  
in the contact with God the child experiences unfailing love.*

*(Sofia Cavalletti, The Religious Potential of the Child)*

The work of the adult catechist is to prepare an environment, accompany the children in their encounter with God, and nurture the relationship as they come close to God.

### THE ATRIUM AND MATERIALS

CGS offers the children a sacred 'hands-on' space called the Atrium, in which both the children and their catechist can listen to, ponder, and celebrate together the most essential mysteries of the Catholic faith as revealed in the Scriptures and the Liturgy.

**Formation Course** is hosted by the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City at  
St. Monica Catholic Church  
2001 N Western Avenue  
Edmond, Oklahoma



For information and registration, go to [archokc.org/catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd](http://archokc.org/catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd)  
or contact Mara Lemcke at [cgs@stmonica-edmond.org](mailto:cgs@stmonica-edmond.org) or (405)642-6679.

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*The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd seeks to help adults open their eyes  
to the hidden riches of the child, especially to the child's spiritual wealth,  
so that adults will be drawn to learn from the child and to serve the child.*

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