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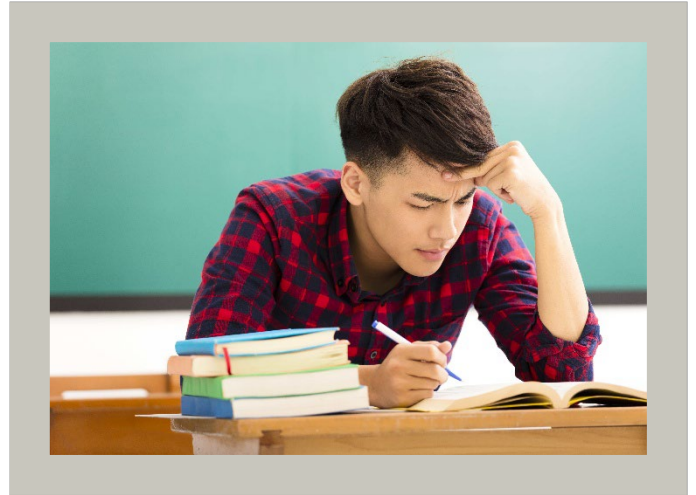
– Coworkers in the Vineyard of the Lord

Basic Theology for Ministry Course

The School of Ministry will be providing the Basic Theology for Ministry course in English at St. Luke’s Church 3847 N. Sutter Street Stockton, CA 95204. This adult study of the teachings of the Catholic Church is the foundational course for ministry formation in the Diocese of Stockton.

This course fulfills the theological requirements for all diocesan ministry certification and Catechist Certification from the California Catholic Conference of Bishops. Although intended for lay ministers, this course is open to all Catholic adults. This course is also a pre-requisite for those interested in discerning their call to the diaconate.

The course schedule is listed on the reverse side of this flier. The cost of this course is \$100.00 per unit or \$400.00 for the entire course (less than \$13 per session). No payment required now and payment plans are available. The program fee covers materials and Instructor fees.



Online pre-registration opens on
Monday, July 20, 2026

Deadline to pre-register is
Monday, August 31, 2026



A minimum of 15 participants is required for this course to be offered.

Please share this information with your parish community.

Pre-registration Form for BTM Course 2026-2027 in English

(mail to: School of Ministry, 212 N. San Joaquin St., Stockton, CA 95202)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Parish: _____ City: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Make checks payable to: Roman Catholic Bishop of Stockton.

Schedule for Basic Theology for Ministry Course at St. Luke's Church
Tuesday Evenings † 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Unit 1— Theological Foundations

Orientation	09-22-26
Revelation-Faith	10-06-26
Images of God	10-13-26
Formation & Themes of Scripture	10-20-26
Jesus	10-27-26
Church/Tradition	11-03-26
Mary/Communion of Saints	11-10-26
Profession of Faith	11-17-26

Unit 2 – Morality

Grace/Sin/Redemption	12-01-26
Moral Principles/Conscience Form.	12-15-26
Commandments	12-22-26
Beatitudes	01-05-27
Catholic Social Teaching	01-12-27
Human Dignity & Respect for Life	01-19-27
Recognizing & Reporting Abuse	01-26-27

Unit 3 – Sacramental Theology

Sacramental Theology	02-09-27
Baptism/Confirmation/RCIA	02-16-27
Eucharist	02-23-27
Penance/Anointing	03-02-27
Holy Orders	03-09-27
Matrimony	03-16-27
Liturgy	03-30-27

Unit 4 – Pastoral Studies

Ministry	04-13-27
Spirituality/Prayer	04-20-27
Adult Faith Development	04-27-27
Communication Skills	05-04-27
Collaborative Ministry	05-11-27
Culture	05-18-27
Ecumenism	05-25-27
Evangelization	06-01-27
Retreat Evening	06-08-27



This course will be provided in Spanish, at Unidos por Cristo y Maria, Radio Católica 1029 8th Street Modesto, CA 95354, on Thursdays from 6:30 pm -9:00 pm.

For more information contact our office or visit our website at www.stocktondiocese.org/school-of-ministry.