

St. John Paul II Parish, Carroll, IA is hosting:



The United States Association of

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

LEVEL 1 CATECHIST TRAINING

Become certified as a Level 1 catechist (ages 3-6)

Course Details



Where: St. Lawrence Church
Rectory / Business Office
1607 N. West. St., Carroll, IA



When: Aug 30-31, Sept 27-28,
Oct 18-19 and 25-26, Nov 15-16,
2025
Mar 7-8 and 21-22, Apr 11-12,
2026



9 AM - 4 PM Saturdays
11 AM - 4 PM Sundays



Course handouts, snacks,
and lunches provided

Course Fees :

\$300 Carroll County Resident
\$600 Non-Resident

Scholarships Available!

Call or email Allison for details

Registration:



Scan the QR code
with your phone's
camera

or visit: <https://stjp2carroll.org/formation>

Or use the form on the following page

Contact Allison Schoonover at
712-790-6613 or
akschoonover@gmail.com with questions.

Want to support this training with your
time, talent, or treasure? Call or email
Allison and find out how you can donate!

REGISTRATION FORM

Detach and return with payment to:

St. John Paul II Parish, CGS Level 1 Training, 1607 N.
West St., Carroll, IA 51401. Write checks to St. John
Paul II Parish.

Name _____ Parish _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Email: _____ ☐ I am interested in childcare (childcare
may be available but is not guaranteed)

COURSE OBJECTIVES

- To present the methodology and guiding principles of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for the 3-6-year-old child.
- To explore the religious nature and the most vital religious needs of the 3 to 6 year old child.
- To meditate on the Biblical and Liturgical themes presented to the 3 to 6-year-old child.
- To broaden your ability to observe and learn from the child, to listen to the Scriptures with the child, to deepen your own enjoyment of God.
- To offer guidelines and assistance in preparing the 3 to 6 atrium environment and in making the catechist's album and catechetical materials.

FORMATION LEADER MARY HEINRICH

Mary is a recognized formation leader trained in all three levels of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. She has served as a Director of Faith Formation in the Catholic Church for twenty-nine years, as well as a consultant and editor for religious education publishers. She earned a bachelor's degree in religious studies from Mount Mercy College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa and a master's degree in Pastoral Studies in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd from Aquinas Institute of Theology in St. Louis, Missouri. Her husband, Kurt is a permanent deacon and teaches theology at the local Catholic high school, is a Level One catechist, and enjoys making materials for the atrium. Their daughter, Clare, coordinates CGS at a local Catholic Church and is a Level I and Level II catechist. When not immersed in CGS, Mary enjoys reading, art and spending time with her family.

REQUIRED READING

- *Religious Potential of the Child*, Sofia Cavaletti
- *The Good Shepherd and the Child, A Joyful Journey*, Rebekah Francisco Rojcewicz
- *Nurturing the Whole Child*, by Gianna Gobbi
- The books are available at www.CGSUSA.org/shop/