



Saint Robert Bellarmine Catechist Award



The Saint Robert Bellarmine Catechist Award, presented by the Pastoral Office for Catechesis, is given to a catechist(s) who has demonstrated outstanding service in the area of catechetical ministry.

The criteria for the award follow:

1. The candidate must have served as a catechist (paid or volunteer) for ten or more years in the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana. The years do not have to be consecutive.
2. The candidate must be nominated by a member of the parish.
3. A letter of support from the candidate's pastor must accompany the nomination form. The letter should state that the candidate is in good standing with the Church and is actively practicing his/her Faith.
4. A letter of support from the parish catechetical leader (e.g. Director of Religious Education, Director of Adult Faith Formation, Pastoral Associate, Director of Youth Ministry) must accompany the nomination form.
5. The candidate must have demonstrated creativity and innovation in their catechetical endeavors.
6. The candidate must be enrolled in or have completed a Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana catechetical formation program.
7. The award recipient must attend the annual Catechetical Day when the award will be presented. If they cannot attend the day, then the award will be given to another qualified catechist(s). The catechist will be informed of the award prior to Catechetical Day.
8. All nomination forms along with accompanying required letters must be in the Pastoral Office for Catechesis, by July 1st. The nomination form is available on the Pastoral Office for Catechesis webpage.