

What specific catechetical leadership ministries are included?

The **Adult Education Program** prepares catechists to coordinate, design and conduct adult catechesis in parish settings.

The **Catechetical Coordinator / DRE Program** prepares candidates for the administration of parish catechetical programs. A candidate chooses to specialize in one of the following areas:

- **Coordinator/Director of Religious Education**
- **Confirmation Coordinator**
- **Youth Ministry Coordinator**

The **High School Religion Teacher / Campus Minister Program** prepares the candidate to teach religion / guide students in outreach programs within the Catholic High School environment.

The **Master Catechist Program** prepares experienced catechists to train new catechists for ministry at various levels, from early childhood through adult. The Master Catechist is prepared to conduct basic formation centers on behalf of the Office of Religious Education of the Archdiocese, in accordance with the guidelines established by the California Catholic Conference of Bishops.

What Certification is granted?

Certification in accordance with the guidelines of the California Catholic Conference of Bishops is granted to participants upon satisfactory completion of the complete formation program.

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Advanced Catechetical Ministries

The Office of Religious Education and the Department of Catholic Schools (Secondary Division) of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles are now accepting applications for the Advanced Catechetical Ministries Program.

This program is designed to develop and foster catechetical leadership in the Archdiocese, both in Catholic High Schools and in Catechetical Ministry at the parochial, deanery, regional and Archdiocesan levels.

The program meets the requirements of the guidelines for certification established by the California Catholic Conference of Bishops.

PHASE I

The **Theological Phase** involves the study of scripture and the essentials of Catholic doctrine as a common basis for all those preparing for catechetical leadership

PHASE II

The **Catechetical Phase** involves the study of catechesis and develops necessary skills for the effective exercise of the ministry.

PHASE III

The **Practicum Phase** involves a supervised practicum related to the ministerial area of choice.



Advanced Catechetical Ministries



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To receive a formal application, please complete and return the following. You will be notified about possible dates and times for an interview. **All applications must be received no later than July 27, 2012.**

Name

Telephone

Address

City

Zip

High School / Parish

e-mail

Check the area of certification for which you would like to apply:

- Adult Religious Education
- Parish Coordinator /
Director of Religious Education
- Coordinator of Confirmation
- Coordinator of Youth Ministry
- High School Teacher/
Campus Minister
- Master Catechist

Detach and Return to:



ACM
Office of Religious Education
3424 Wilshire Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90010-2202

What are the requirements for admission into the program?

- An ability to study at the post-secondary level
- An ability to communicate with adults
- Basic catechist Certification or equivalent
- A record of Catholic High School or parish involvement
- Catechetical/Teaching Experience
- Liturgical Ministry Experience desirable
- Sensitivity to the cultural diversity of peoples in the Archdiocese.

In addition, the following are required for particular ministry areas:

Adult Religious Education

- A basic adult specialization or its equivalent
- Five years experience in one or more of the following areas: Catechesis, Adult Education, or RCIA

Coordinator/Director of Parish Religious Education

- Basic Coordinator/DRE specialization or its equivalent
- Five years experience in catechetical ministry including two years experience as a coordinator/chairperson

Coordinator of Confirmation / Youth Ministry

- Basic Confirmation or Youth Ministry specialization, or its equivalent
- Recent catechetical experience

Catholic High School Religion Teacher/ Campus Minister

- B.A. in Theology or Religious Studies
- Present high school teaching experience
- Evidence of ongoing enrichment in the areas of theology and campus ministry

Master Catechist Program

- Five years catechetical experience at different levels
- Evidence of ongoing enrichment in the areas of theology, catechesis and education
- Recent catechetical experience

How Much does the Program Cost?

Phase I and II cost \$350 each. If Phase III involves classes, there may be a nominal fee. Otherwise there is no charge for the practicum year. It is hoped that the program fee will be paid by the parish or institution in which you are currently ministering.

How do I apply?

For further information, call 213 637 7654 or return the attached form.

Schedule and Themes of Phase I

In 2012-2013, the Theological Phase will offer sessions covering the following topics:

Theological Reflection, Images of God, Revelation, Christology, Ecclesiology, Sacraments, Morality, Social Justice, Christian Spirituality.

Dates and location of the sessions:

Saturdays, 8:30am - 4:00pm at

Bishop Alemany High School

11111 N Alemany Drive
Mission Hills, CA 91345

**August 25, September 8, October 6,
November 3 , and December 1, 2012**

**January 12, February 9, March 9,
and April 13, 2013**

(please note, dates are subject to change)