## Sunday Family Faith Catechist Description

A Sunday Family Faith Catechist helps the Church make new disciples by teaching IHM's children about the Catholic faith, how to follow Christ's example in everyday life, and by providing them with a loving, caring faith community.

Catechists teach or facilitate the learning program provided by IHM using objectives set by the Archdiocese, communicate with parents, and evaluate and report about the progress of the program. They are assisted by other volunteer Catechists and supported by the Director of Religious Education.

A Catechist needs to have a love for and understanding of children, be able to use varied instructional methods, have knowledge of the Catholic faith and the willingness to share the teachings of the Church truthfully without dissenting personal opinions, and lead prayer experiences.

Committing to be a Catechist means preparing for, participating in, and cleaning up after all the Sunday Family Faith meetings on Sunday (10:15 am to 11:30 am) from September to May (see SFF calendar for specific dates) unless otherwise agreed upon with the Director of Religious Education, as well as attending an orientation and quarterly SFF team meetings.

Being a Catechist provides many benefits! These include the joy of working with children, the rewards for answering God's call to serve in His Church, as well as growing in faith and in one's relationship with the Lord.