

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COMMISSION

PURPOSE: *The primary purpose of the Commission is to insure quality Catechesis/Religious Education for the entire parish community, all ages and all cultures.*

RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Self-Development

Each member must become familiar with

- The General Directory for Catechesis
- The National Catechetical Directory, especially Chapter 10 (Organization for Catechesis)
- The Catechism of the Catholic Church
- The Function, methods and trends in religious education
- The present parish situation-strengths, weakness, needs and concerns.

2. Service

All catechetical goals, objectives and policies, budgets and calendars of all catechetical components in the parish are presented to the Religious Education Commission for approval and support.

The Religious Education Commission gives regular reports to the Council on all its activities.

3. Cooperation

The Commission fosters cooperation between members of the education groups and other segments of the parish. It is vital, for example, that the sacramental team work closely with the Liturgical Committee. It is also important that those who are responsible for the parish religious education and those responsible for religious education of Catholic school children coordinate activities in as many ways as possible.

4. Communication

The regular meeting of the Religious Education Commission allows each educational group to share its plans and activities and enables all to work together to ensure that the educational needs of the parishioners are being met.

The Commission always keeps the parishioners informed of the programs and activities in the parish and also on the deanery and diocesan level.