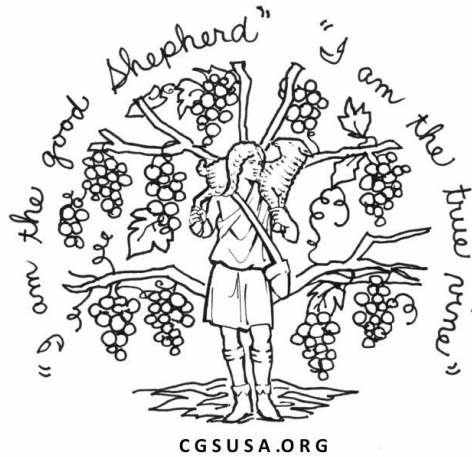


# The Catechesis Of the Good Shepherd



## Level Two (6-9) Catechist Formation Course # 2-00880

St. Robert Bellarmine  
310 Cherry St.  
Flushing, MI 48433

## Course Logistics

The course will be held at St. Robert Bellarmine Church, in Flushing, Michigan. The facilities allow for both classroom space and access to a full 6-9 atrium. Course evenings begin at 6:00 PM and will end about 9:00 PM. Light dinner will be provided on all days.  
Class closed at 25 participants.

## Course Dates

**Part I:** January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4, 11, 18, 25, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 8, 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13, 2027

**Part II:** TBA

## Course Leaders

Hannah Marconeri

## For More Information

Contact: Dina Walker  
(810) 659-2501 ext. 2  
resecretary@srbccatholic.com

## Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish/School: \_\_\_\_\_

What year did you complete Level 1 formation, and who were your formation leaders?  
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Do you currently serve in an atrium? If so, where? At what level?  
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Are you hoping to work on making Level 2 materials as part of the course? \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks or money orders payable to St. Robert Bellarmine (attn. 6-9 Training).

Send registration form with \$100 deposit by December 10, 2026. Balance is due the first day of the course. Mail to:

Dina Walker  
St. Robert Bellarmine  
310 N. Cherry Street  
Flushing, MI 48433

## About the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Montessori-based religious formation program for children, beginning at the age of three. It seeks to create and facilitate a sacred, “hands-on” environment for children called an *atrium*, in which both the children and the catechists can hear, ponder, and celebrate the most essential mysteries of the Christian faith as revealed in the Scriptures and Liturgy. Originally developed in Rome by Dr. Sofia Cavalletti and Gianna Gobbi in 1954, the Catechesis has since spread worldwide. Though Roman Catholic in its origin it is now adapted to be used in several denominations.

### Catechist Formation

There are three levels of training for those interested in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: Level 1 – for children ages 3-6; Level 2 – for ages 6-9 and Level 3 – for ages 9-12. Each level involves approximately 100 hours of meditations, presentations, and album page assistance. It also includes some observation time in an atrium. At the end of this course, the participants will receive certification for Level 2 from the National Association of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. ([www.cgsusa.org](http://www.cgsusa.org))

### 6-9 Course Objectives

- To explore with participants, the general developmental and religious characteristics of the 6 – 9-year-old child

- To facilitate further meditation on the biblical and liturgical themes of the Catechesis
- To offer guidelines and assistance to catechists for setting up an atrium for 6-9 year olds, preparing an album, and making materials
- To deepen participants’ ability to observe and learn from children
- To aide in the formation of a community of catechists

### The Formation Leader

Hannah Marconeri began her journey with Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in 2011, and serves as a catechist at St. Robert Bellarmine. In 2018, Hannah was certified as a Level One Formation Leader. In 2024, she was certified as a Level Two Formation Leader. She has a Master’s degree in Pastoral Studies and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (MAPS-CGS) from Aquinas Institute in St. Louis, MO. She is married to her wonderful husband, Nathan, who is a Level One catechist and great supporter of CGS. They have two children who are in the Infant/Toddler CGS environment.

### Tuition and Texts

The tuition for the entire course that spans two sessions is \$700. This may be paid in two payments of \$350 for Part I and \$350 for Part II. The tuition includes the \$35 registration fee for the National Association of the Good Shepherd.

The required reading for the course:

- *The Religious Potential of the Child – vol. 2* by Sofia Cavalletti
- *The History of the Kingdom of God: From Creation to Parousia (Part One)* by Sofia Cavalletti
- *The History of the Kingdom of God: Liturgy and the Building of the Kingdom (Part Two)* by Sofia Cavalletti
- *Life in the Vine* by Rebekah Rojcewicz

Highly recommended texts to purchase:

- *Ways to Nurture the Relationship with God* by Sofia Cavalletti & Patricia Coulter
- *Nurturing the Whole Child* by Gianna Gobbi

These texts can be ordered from the National Association of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. An order form may be obtained from their web site: [www.cgsusa.org](http://www.cgsusa.org). Phone 708-524-1210. Texts can also be purchased from Liturgical Training Publications at [www.ltp.org](http://www.ltp.org).