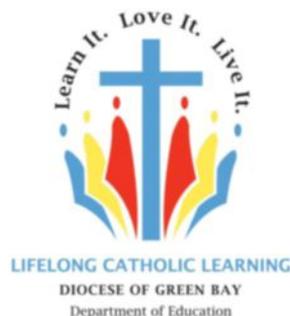


“Comprehensive formation includes more than instruction: it is an apprenticeship of the entire Christian life. . . .”

—General Directory for Catechesis, 67



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Mentor Program For Catechetical Leaders

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- New to your catechetical ministry?
- New to our Diocese?
- Looking for Direction?

If you'd like to apply to have a mentor, please contact (before July 1, or as soon as possible):

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Mentoring . . . Helping new catechetical leaders experience success and support in their ministry.

What is a mentor?

A mentor is a person with the experience and knowledge to guide you and support you in your ministry. A mentor can be a resource and help direct you to the necessary resources that you may need to feel successful in your ministry.

Who serves as mentors?

The Diocese of Green Bay will call upon people who are experienced Catechetical Leaders who are active in the field. The Diocese will choose a mentor based on your work, your needs and location. You will be consulted in the process.

What is the cost?

The diocese will offer the mentors a stipend. There is no cost to the parish or the mentee.

How often will I meet with my mentor?

It is suggested that you meet with your mentor approximately 10 times through the academic year for 60-90 minutes, either face-to-face or electronically.

What exactly will a mentor do for me?

Your mentor will assist you:

- In developing familiarity with the diocese
- In developing short and long term goals - both personal and professional
- In recommending reading materials
- In finding resources and background materials
- In completing competency assessments
- In dealing with any problems or questions regarding your ministry
- In lending support through listening, feedback, occasional advice or encouragement



What will I do when I meet with my mentor?

It will be your responsibility, along with your mentor to set the agenda for your meetings. An agenda could include prayer, personal/professional development (such as reading, workshops, course work), goal setting (short and long term), upcoming meetings also. Your meetings can be wonderful opportunities for learning!

What if it doesn't work out?

Your sessions should offer you support in ministry and help in moving forward with your goals. Likewise, you should go prepared, be open to feedback and willing to follow through on commitments. If either mentor or mentee is dissatisfied, each is encouraged to problem-solve and/or renegotiate expectations. If a problem persists, either mentor or mentee may invite a diocesan staff member to intervene.