

OLMC – RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / CATECHIST OPPORTUNITY

St. Paul in his letter to the Romans, invited his community to share Jesus' mission with him. Today I am going to use his words to invite all of you to share your time and talent to strengthen our church community and enrich it with your gifts.

St. Paul said; "Just as each of us has one body with many parts, not all the parts have the same function, so we too, though many are one body in Christ and individually members of one another. We have gifts that differ according to the favor bestowed on each one of us."

Our Church is alive and active because of believers. We come to church to be spiritually nourished, so that we can go out into the world and share the good news of Christ. We enjoy the wonderful ministries and services provided to us by so many parishioners like you.

We need more volunteers to continue passing on our faith to the young members of our parish community. Religious education takes place on Thursday evening in the school building. We start our classes in September; time 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Do you like to work with children?

Are you a practicing Catholic?

Are you willing to commit your time to teach children about Jesus?

Don't worry if you don't have teaching experience. We will provide you training. We need your love of God, enthusiasm and commitment to serve.

When you finish reflecting, please call Razia Khokhar 773 – 525 – 0453 Ext. 14

Please complete and return it to OLMC.

Name _____ Phone # _____

Address _____

Email _____

Grade to teach _____ or _____

Volunteer Catechists for Religious Education and Children's Liturgy

All volunteers are expected to complete the application and register as members of our parish.

To be in Compliance with the archdiocese of Chicago; please complete this:

Go www.archchicago.org

- On the left side click on Protecting Children
- On the left side click on Compliance with -----
- Click on Background check; then create you ID and Pass word (save it)
- Complete the background check (Code is "PROTECTION")
- Complete the Code of Conduct
- Complete the CANTS form
- Virtus Training (book online and attend in person. You will receive the certificate.
- Mandated reporter Training: do it online and you will be issue a certification
- At the end make sure to complete everything and then submit. Once you complete the application; it will come to our parish data. (Make sure to put Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, 708 W. Belmont, Chicago)

NOTE: If you have any problem to complete this application you can call Razia @ 773 – 525 – 0453 OR call the archdiocesan office in down Town and talk to Mayra Flores @ 312 – 534 – 5238

Training Opportunities

Getting Started (new Catechist)

Fostering Faith (catechist certification process - we plan to start in our parish this Summer)

Chicago Catechical conference / Festival of Faith (annually in October)

Required Reading (provided by OLMC)

Suspected child abuse/neglect by Catechical personnel

Possible symptoms of child sexual abuse

Summary of DCFS reporting requirements

Expectations of effective catechists

Archdiocesan Religious Curriculum

Religious Curriculum goals

Grade Expectations