

2018 Catechist Formation Day

Break-Out Sessions

The Engaged Classroom: How is it managed and what does it look like?

Michael Hagan

In this workshop, Michael Hagan will share tips on how to manage your classroom and make your lessons interesting. This will also include an opportunity for participants to share their own best practices.

“Rejoice and Be Glad”: with Pope Francis, responding to Jesus’s desire to live His Life in ours.

Teresa Hawes

In his April 2018 Apostolic Exhortation, our Holy Father encourages: “Allow the Spirit to forge in you the personal mystery that can reflect Jesus Christ in Today’s world” (#23). We will delve deeper into his message and consider some tips to help foster this process in prayer.

Creative Ways to Involve Your Priest in Religious Education.

Msgr. Bernard Bourgeois - Rutland

Fr. Karl Hahr - St. Johnsbury

Fr. Lance Harlow - Colchester

In this workshop Father will share his experience of being involved with parish religious education and offer some ideas of how to get priests involved in the classroom. There will also be an opportunity for discussion to brainstorm new ideas and have participants share their experiences as well.

The following workshop is being offered in Rutland and St. Johnsbury only

Engaging Youth Through Art.

Mary-Margaret Carroll

This workshop will focus on strategies and methodologies for coordinating large scale art projects for use in the liturgy and/or to be on display for the parish community. Art projects to be discussed contain a catechetical lesson, engage students K through grade 8, and use interesting, affordable – and even recycled – materials. Participants will receive instructions for specific projects they can use, as well as tips and tricks for designing their own projects.

The following workshop is being offered in Colchester only

Teens, Social Media, Addictions, Kohlberg’s Hierarchy of Morality, and you want me to teach what?

Lisa Lorenz

In this workshop, Lisa Lorenz will talk about adolescent development, brain development and the effects of social media and technology on the brain and how it is affecting our teens, psychologically, morally and physically. This will also include an opportunity for participants to ask questions and share their experiences in the classroom.