

## Registration Form

Please return by: March 23, 2018

With deposit to

St. Francis Xavier Parish

c/o Cynthia Foster

222 Willow Street

Saskatoon, SK S7J 0C4

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

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

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Religious Affiliation: (please circle)

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Complete Course Fee: \$675

Required text books: available through  
Amazon.ca or Joseph's Inspirational Inc.

**Non Refundable Deposit due by  
March 23, 2018: \$100**

**Part 1 balance due at course start  
date: April 22, 2018: \$275**

Remainder of the course fee due at time  
of part 2 Level 1 (dates TBD): \$300

Amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Make cheques payable to CGSAC**

### The Formation Team:

#### Dr. Debbie Zeni:

Deb is a CGSAC certified level 1-3 catechist & formation leader who has led courses across Canada and in Nairobi, Kenya. She received her MPS - CGS in May 2012 and is currently working on a DMin at Aquinas Inst. Deb is a founding member of the Canadian CGS Association (CGSAC). She enjoys being a catechist, family physician and grandmother in Georgetown, ON.



#### Carolyn-Marie Petch:

Carolyn-Marie is a certified catechist and a formation leader for all three Levels. She has been instructing others in CGS since 1998.

As one of the founders of CGSAC, Carolyn-Marie is a long-standing member of the CGSAC formation team and is a lead catechist in the atrium at St. Benedict's Parish, Toronto, ON.

## The Catechesis of The Good Shepherd



### Level 1 Course

*A formation experience for adults  
working with the 3-6 year old child  
in a parish or school setting*

**April 22-27, 2018**

Part 1 of 2

**Sunday 12:30pm-5:30pm  
Monday -Friday 9:00 am- 5:00pm**

**A minimum of 15 people are  
required to offer this course**

**St Francis Xavier Parish  
222 Willow Street  
Saskatoon, SK**

*Offered in cooperation with:  
The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd  
Association of Canada (CGSAC)*

## You are invited to begin your journey

Please join us for a Canadian National Level  
CGS Formation Course  
To be held in Saskatoon, SK  
at St. Francis Xavier Parish

### The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Montessori-based religious formation for children starting at the age of 3. It seeks to create and facilitate a sacred, 'hands-on' space for children called an atrium, in which both the children and their catechists can listen, ponder and celebrate the most profound mysteries of the Christian faith as revealed in Scripture and Liturgy. Originally founded in Rome by Sofia Cavalletti and Gianna Gobbi more than 60 years ago, the Catechesis continues to spread world-wide and is used by various Christian traditions.

#### Snacks, Meals and Lodging:

Snacks and lunch will be provided.

*Do you need accommodation?* **Yes No**

(Please circle one)

Overnight lodging is being arranged by:

Cynthia Foster: email - [lc.foster@sasktel.net](mailto:lc.foster@sasktel.net)

Or call - 306.955.4854

**Financial Aid:** Never let financial hardship be a reason to avoid formation.

Scholarships and other assistance are available from CGSAC. Please contact:

Joe Tanel: (416) 574-4039

or: 83 Rosewell Ave Toronto M4R 2K2  
for scholarship application form.

### Course Objectives:

To present the methodology and guiding principles of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for the 3-6 year old child.

To explore the religious nature and the most vital religious needs of the Level I child as well as to provide an overview of their cognitive, motor, behavioural and spiritual development with respect to their needs and capacities across all domains.

To facilitate meditation upon selected biblical passages, in particular the Good Shepherd parable, Psalm 23 and selected Kingdom of God parables, and to explore how we live this covenant relationship in the liturgy of Baptism and Eucharist.

To meditate on the mystery of incarnation and the paschal mystery through the accounts of the incarnation and paschal events in scripture and Messianic prophecies and our celebration of these events in the church/atrium setting (ie. Liturgy of Light).

To reflect on Baptism & Eucharist with particular study of the signs/gestures and symbols of the Eucharistic Liturgy.

To base this work in the Roman tradition but include an awareness of the material adaptations to other Christian traditions.

To discuss the challenges of engaging 3-6 year old children in the work of Level I.



### Course text books include:

- **A Joyful Journey 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition**
- **Listening to God with Children**  
- **Gianna Gobbi**
- **Religious Potential of the Child**  
**Part 1 - Sofia Cavalletti**

**Course text books** are available through Amazon.ca or Joseph's Inspirational Inc. Markham, ON

*Please bring a Bible for your own use during course.*



### Expectations:

(1) 10 hours minimum of observation in atrium and/or casa

(2) attendance and participation at all sessions

(3) at least 5 completed album pages to be submitted from 3-5 different sections (personal or group) for part 1 level 1 .

Level 1 consists of 90 hours.

These expectations will be discussed on the first day of the course.