

## Registration Form

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**June 15, 2019** to Sarah MacDonald-McLean, 32  
Westpark Drive, Ottawa, ON K1B 3E5  
**or register & pay on-line at [www.cgsac.ca](http://www.cgsac.ca)**

**You are registered when payment is received.**

**I consent to receive course communications from CGSAC.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(as it should appear on your certificate)

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

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

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

CGSAC Member # \_\_\_\_\_

Parish or School \_\_\_\_\_

Religious Affiliation (circle)

**RC Anglican Orthodox Lutheran Other** \_\_\_\_\_

**Course Fees:** fill in fees that apply:

Session 2 Tuition \$350 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Audit only \$20 / day\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make up @\$20 / day\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Not a CGSAC member? add \$75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Food allergies? \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount enclosed:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make cheques payable to CGSAC

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**Do you require accommodation?**

Check in \_\_\_\_\_ Check out \_\_\_\_\_  
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

\* Level 1 catechists are welcome to audit (take a refresher)  
or make up days missed previously.



## The Formation Team

**Annette Witte** began her journey as a Catechist in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in 1996. She became a Level 1 Formation Leader in 2010 and a Level 2 Formation Leader in 2016. She is the lead catechist in Levels 1 and 2 at Immaculate Heart of Mary and Level 3 at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in their after school formation programs and assists in Level 2 at St. Thomas school. Annette holds a Master's of Pastoral Studies from Aquinas Institute of Theology in St. Louis, MO. She and her husband, Joe, have five children and three grandchildren and live in Grand Rapids, MI.

**Susan Perna** is a founding member of CGSAC. She began her journey with The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd over 30 years ago and has been trained by its founders. She opened and directed the atrium at St Benedict Parish, Toronto for 20 years, serving hundreds of children and has been instrumental in opening several atria. She delights in training adults to become catechists knowing that each adult trained means that even more children will have the chance to experience this work.

### Financial Aid

Never let financial hardship be a reason to avoid formation. The Ed Krupica Scholarship Fund is available to members for tuition assistance. Please contact Joe Tanel for an application form before **May 15, 2019** at [joetanel@yahoo.com](mailto:joetanel@yahoo.com), 416-574-4039.

### Not a CGSAC Member?

Go to [www.cgsac.ca](http://www.cgsac.ca) for a membership application.

### For More Information Contact

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## The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Association of Canada

### Level 1 Course Session 2

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

### Good Shepherd Parish

3092 Innes Road  
Ottawa, Ontario, K1W 1C8

**Session 2:** July 8 – 13, 2019  
**Time:** 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.

## 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. Founded in Rome by Sofia Cavalletti and Gianna Gobbi in 1954, the Catechesis has spread world-wide and is used by various Christian traditions to nurture the child's relationship with Jesus.

The course is presented in the Roman Catholic tradition but includes awareness of material adaptations to the Anglican, Lutheran and Orthodox traditions.

There are three levels of training for adults interested in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:

Level 1 for children 3-6 years of age

Level 2 for children 6-9 years of age

Level 3 for children 9-12 years of age

Level 1 training must be completed before beginning

Level 2 and Level 2 training must be completed before beginning Level 3.

The Level 1 course lays the foundation of the theory and practices of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for all three levels of CGS. This 90+ hour course concretely prepares the adult to work, to listen to the Word of God and to learn with and from children.

### Prerequisite

Must attend Level 1 session 1 before attending Level 1 session 2.

## Expectations of Participants

1. 100% attendance and engagement in group discussions, prayer and in simulated presentations using the materials.
2. 10 hours minimum observation in a level 1 atrium and / or Montessori casa.
3. Submit a minimum of 10 completed personal album pages from 5 different subjects.
4. Complete all mandatory readings prior to the course.

## Mandatory Course Reading

1. **The Religious Potential of the Child.**  
Sofia Cavalletti.  
Chicago LTP 1992. ISBN 0-929650-67-0
2. **The Good Shepherd and the Child, A Joyful Journey, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition.**  
Sofia Cavalletti, Patricia Coulter, Gianna Gobbi, Silvano Quattrocchi Montanaro M.D., Rebekah Rojcewicz.  
LTP Chicago 2013. ISBN 978-1-61671-178-8
3. **Mustard Seed Preaching**  
Ann M. Garrido.  
LTP 2004. ISBN 1-56854-555-X
3. **The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in a Parish Setting**  
Tina Lillig.  
LTP Chicago 1998. ISBN 1-56854-262-3

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Joseph's Inspirational Inc. or [cgsusa.org](http://cgsusa.org) or [Amazon.ca](http://Amazon.ca)

## Bring your bible!

## Snacks & Meals

Coffee, cold drinks and water will be provided.  
Snacks 'pot-luck.'

## Course Objectives

1. To explore the methodology and guiding principles of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for the 3-6 year old child.
2. To explore the religious nature and the spiritual needs and capacities of the child.
3. To meditate on the mystery of the incarnation and the paschal mystery through the scriptural accounts shared with children.
4. To offer guidelines and assistance in preparing an atrium, writing album pages and making materials.
5. To deepen the participant's ability to observe and learn from children, and to discuss the challenges of engaging the child in the work of Level 1.

