



What: The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level I Formation Course

This Level I Course presents essential elements of our faith appropriate for the 3-6 year old through the prepared environment "the Atrium" and the CGS materials. These include presentations such as the announcement of GOD's love (in the person of the Good Shepherd, who died and has risen); materials on the life of Christ and his teachings (the geography materials establish Jesus as a real person in time and space and Israel as the land through which GOD realized salvation for all); infancy narratives announce the Incarnation with the words of Scripture; selected parables serve as keys to unlock the mystery of the kingdom of GOD; the cenacle; the baptism; and articles of the mass (altar and tabernacle). The course also adult reflections, practice time, and material making. The course is primarily English but the Formation Leader is fluent in Spanish, Portuguese and German for specific dialogue and questions. Lunch is on your own but morning and afternoon snacks are included.

Who: Catechists, Parents, and Caregivers

- Catechists who want to serve in an atrium
- Parents and caregivers with children of the ages 3-6 years who want to learn how to pass on the faith in a way that is age appropriate in a prepared environment using hands-on materials and the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Curriculum

*When: Part I Jul 11-16, 2022 and Part II July 2023 (specific dates TBD) **

(*Note: Must attend and complete both Parts I & II to receive CGSUSA Level I Certification)

Where: Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church

46833 Harry Byrd Highway, Sterling, VA 20164

Formation Leader: Claudia Margarita Schmitt

For 8 years Claudia studied directly under the founders of CGS, Sofia Cavalletti and Gianna Gobbi at the original Atrium in Sophia's home, where she received her certification from the Diocese of Rome. She has over 30 years of experience as an international trainer of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd working extensively with children and adults worldwide. Claudia even contributed to the development of the CGS Program in Mexico. She has worked in all three levels (3-6; 6-9; 9-12 yrs).

Cost: \$850 cash/check or \$875 credit card via PayPal total for entire course (both Parts I & II)—To register contact goodshepherdlittlelambs@gmail.com or 703-296-1819

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