

The Parish School of Religion is undergoing a self-study of our programs. The following categories have been **CRITICALLY** reviewed: Parents, students, parish adult members, catechists, leadership, sacramental programs, finances, facilities and several areas related to the above.

During the month of November, teams from the Diocese will be visiting to **observe and interview all the categories and people** that minister to and within Religious Education. Then the Diocesan Accreditation Team will provide a report based on their findings. The reason for this extensive work is to gain current statistical data and **examine and evaluate the current status** of all our programs. This way, we will be able to set effective goals for improving the quality of the parish programs. Our Christian Formation Committee will determine which needs are most critical.

The following areas have already surfaced as areas in need of strengthening: Youth Ministry, Technology, Family Participation and Adult Faith Formation. If you have talents, interests or concerns about any of these programs, I invited your input and suggestions. **We are especially interested in plans for Family-Centered Catechesis.** Feel free to contact me to discuss or share your input, experience, ideas, and certainly to VOLUNTEER. If you feel that God is calling you to the below ministries, we welcome new members. In Christ, Carol Simperts, DRE.

Family Centered Catechesis

*(also called **Whole Community or Intergenerational Catechesis**)*

Christian Formation

Adult Faith Formation

Catechist, Assistants, Hospitality,

Babysitting for Bible Study or other programs

Pre-school Catechists and Assistants 10:45-11:45