

Registration Form

Name:

Address:

Daytime Phone:

Email:

Church/School Affiliation:

Fees

Amount Enclosed: _____

(The retreat course fee is \$375 for the first persons from a church or school and \$299 for any other participants from that same organization. Fees are due the first day of the course with a \$100 deposit for each participant due by **August 27, 2010.**)

Childcare

Childcare needed? yes no

\$2.00 per hour per child payable to the nursery worker for the childcare that you use.

If yes, please tell us the names and ages of your children:

_____ age _____

_____ age _____

_____ age _____

Lodging

Lodging is available at nearby hotels and may be available through parishioners of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. Please indicate your interest in receiving information about these options below

- No, do not send me information about hotels.
- Yes, send me information about hotels.
- Yes, send me information about staying in a parishioners home.

Meals

Saturday lunches will be provided by volunteers of St. Andrew's. Participants are asked to bring their own snacks or other meals as necessary.

Please return this form and your deposit to:

Marcy McKay
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
1601 S. Georgia
Amarillo, TX 79102

Registration deadline is August 27th.

Thank you.

Catechesis of The Good Shepherd



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Formation Retreat for Adults working with Children Ages 3-6

Whether you enjoy this multi-session retreat and its study of scripture, theology, and liturgy as a gift for yourself

OR

Whether you explore the program in order to share it with 3-6 year old children in your home, school, or Sunday school...

We invite you to join us this year as we explore the wonder of God's grace through the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

2010 Retreat Dates

Sept. 17, 18, 19	Feb 19
Oct 16	Mar 12,13,14
Nov 13	Apr 16
Dec 11	May 20,21,22
Jan 7, 8, 9	

Course Description

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Christian formation program for children 3-12 years old in which a trained adult helps awaken children to their personal response to God. It seeks to create and facilitate a sacred, "hands-on" space for children called an atrium in which both the child and the adult can hear, ponder, and celebrate the most essential mysteries of the Christian faith as revealed in the Scriptures and Liturgy.

This approach to Christian formation began in 1954 when Sofia Cavalletti, a scripture scholar, and Gianna Gobbi, a Montessori educator, founded the Good Shepherd Atrium in Rome, Italy. For over 50 years the program has spread through parishes and schools of different denominations around the world.

This year's course will educate the participant in the theory and practice of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd while also concretely preparing her/him to develop and facilitate an atrium for 3-6 year old children.

Course Objectives

- † to facilitate meditation on the biblical and liturgical themes.
- † to offer guidelines and assistance to potential catechists for setting up an atrium for 3-6 year olds, preparing an album of presentations, and making materials.
- † to explore the developmental characteristics, religious nature, and the most vital religious needs of the 3-6 year old child.
- † to broaden the adult's ability to observe and learn from the children, to listen with children to scripture, and to deepen our enjoyment of God's presence.

Retreat Leader

The formation retreat will be led by Kay Brizzolara, a certified CGS formation leader. Ms. Brizzolara is the religious education director for St. Andrew's Episcopal School in Amarillo, Texas where she offers catechesis to children ages 3 – 13. She holds a BA from Yale University, an M.A. from Cambridge University, a certificate in Theology from The University of the South (Sewanee), and a Certificate in Youth Ministry from the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest. She has over fifteen years of experience as a catechist in CGS programs in churches and at school.

Certification

Upon completion of the ninety hour retreat, participants will receive certification through the National Association of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and the Episcopal Diocese of Northwest Texas in *Safeguarding God's Children*.

Childcare

A nursery will be available for the children of participants. Participants are asked to please pay \$2.00 per hour per child to the nursery worker for the childcare which they use. Please note your childcare needs on the registration form.



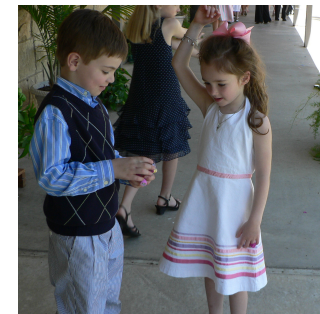
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Further Information and Registration

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Amarillo, Texas, 79102, (806) 376-6316 or
MMckay@standrewsamario.org.



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