



Catechetical Leader

Department of Family Catechesis

E-Update

Latest News

I will look after my sheep, says the Lord, and I will raise up one shepherd who will pasture them. (Ez 34:11)

1. **January Leadership Conference:** This year's conference was a huge success. Thanks to all those who attended this year and previous conferences. Please save the date for next year: Jan 6-8th 2011
2. **Catechist Congress 2010.** With nearly 700 in Mass and 400 participating in the Conference we look forward to growing this event each year. The Homily from Bishop Olmsted and the Keynote address by Bob Rice are available online at www.catechistphx.org. Please save the date for next year's congress: Jan 8th 2011
3. **USCCB To Launch Lent Website.** To help parishes and families prepare for the seasons of Lent the Conference of Catholic Bishops has launched a great new interactive website which will include readings and reflections from many US Bishops. www.usccb.org/lent/

Announcements/Prayer Intentions

If you have any special prayer intentions, please share them with us so we can ask other leaders to pray for them.

The Pope's intentions for January are:

His General Intention: That young people may learn to use modern means of social communication for their personal growth and to better prepare themselves to serve society.

His intention for the missions: That every believer in Christ may be conscious that unity among all Christians is a condition for more effective proclamation of the Gospel.

Haiti Relief Effort: [Special Collection Jan 16th & 17th Catholic Relief Services Website](#)

Resources

Lenten Resources: Several publishers offer some excellent Lenten websites. We especially thank Our Sunday Visitor and Loyola Press for their generous support of our Catechist Congress.

[Loyola Press](#)

[USCCB](#) available later this month.

[Our Sunday Visitor](#)

[Catholic Relief Services](#)

KINO Library: KINO has been updating its collection. Please come by and visit or check out the catalog online at <http://kinoinstitute.org/english/library.php>

Upcoming Events

1. **RCIA Synergy Morning:** Feb 13th, DPC. A morning of dialog for RCIA Leaders and teams focused on preparing for the period of Purification & Enlightenment.
2. **Lenten Retreat:** March 11th Mt. Claret. Lead by Fr. Mike Strayley. More details will follow.
3. **Deanery Meetings for Catechetical Leaders** now available online at www.catecheticalleadershipphx.org under 'Deanery Meetings'. Please note that, in this round of meetings, we will have some formation offered by Peter Poppleton of OSV titled: *Catechesis and Catholic Culture: Making Connections to the Home*
4. **Receptionist Luncheon** is scheduled for March 4th 2010
5. **Catechist Formation Opportunities.** Do you have upcoming catechist formation opportunities in your parish? Many catechists are looking for sessions to complete their catechist certification, so please contact us at the email addresses below so we can put these sessions on our catechist formation website, www.catechistphx.org.

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