

DISCIPLESHIP TEAM

Children's Discipleship

- **CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD (CGS) ASSISTANTS:** Teen or adult volunteers assist CGS catechists during sessions by modeling the presence of God, set-up, clean-up, record-keeping and some very simple presentations. One two-hour training session is required. Options to serve in the evening or Sunday mornings according to session. +
- **CGS ATRIUM CARE:** Teen or adult volunteers who care for and keep the atrium beautiful by cleaning and maintaining the space and materials. Very flexible schedule on a weekly or monthly basis.
- **CGS CATECHISTS:** Highly-trained teens or adults share the faith with young children (ages 3-12) utilizing CGS - a Montessori religious education method featuring hands-on learning and scientific methodology. Training opportunities offered. +
- **CGS HALL MONITOR:** Adults offer a welcoming and safe environment for children (and parents) before and during CGS sessions by supervising hall areas and being prepared to assist with children as needed. Options to serve in the evening or Sunday mornings according to session. +
- **CGS MATERIAL ARTISAN:** Skilled teens and adults create specially-designed materials for CGS presentations using their gifts in calligraphy, metal work, painting, sewing, or woodworking. An as-needed basis—and many can be done on your own time and at home.
- **FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT AND REHEARSAL HELPERS:** Teens and adults assist at special sessions with greeting, logistics, child supervision, and practicing how to receive the sacrament. +

Life Teen (Middle School and High School)

- **EDGE (MIDDLE SCHOOL CORE TEAM):** Adults lead 6th to 8th grade teens to get closer to Christ — to have an encounter with God through activities and discussions. Meets Monday evenings September through April with teens. Team members also attend monthly Tuesday evening planning meetings. +
- **LIFE TEEN [HIGH SCHOOL CORE TEAM]:** Geared toward the needs of 9th through 12th graders, adults serve as relational mentors participating in activities, leading discussions, and praying for the teens they mentor. Meets weekly September to April. +
- **LIFE SUPPORT [SNACK DONATION]:** Help create a warm and welcoming environment for our middle and high school ministries by providing snacks and drinks for teens for both our usual gatherings and the handful of receptions we host annually.

- **LIFE SUPPORT [CONFIRMATION SPECIFIC]:** Some of our ministries take place in host homes where families welcome a small group and their core team member into their home to provide an extra warm and welcoming environment to these groups. Generally needed weekly for about 1.5 hours.
- **CONFIRMATION CORE TEAM:** Adults connect with teens for a year-long experience including Mass attendance, small group meetings, service experiences, sponsor meetings, and a retreat culminating in the Sacrament of Confirmation. Resources are provided. +

Adult Discipleship

- **“BECOMING FULLY CATHOLIC” SPONSOR/MENTOR:** Adults share their faith by walking alongside other adults considering Catholicism or completing their Sacraments of Initiation. Instruction, training, and resources provided.
- **SMALL GROUP ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT:** Assists point person with printing, assembling binders/folders, and pairing new members into existing or new small groups according to their needs and schedules. Could be done at home.
- **SMALL GROUP LEADERS:** Adults engage in a 12-week training program to lead a small-group weekly gathering of prayer, Sunday Scripture readings, and fellowship with the hope to begin and lead a weekly small group of your own.
- **SMALL GROUP COMMUNITY PRAYER WARRIOR:** Commits to gather together and/or on your own to pray and fast for all our small groups, their growth, and St. Charles staff and community.
- **PARISH AMBASSADORS [BAPTISM FAMILIES]:** Couples and families in the parish meet with couples who are preparing for their baby’s Baptism. The goal is to help these families feel welcome and to share ways they can grow in their faith at St. Charles. +

More Discipleship Opportunities

- **BEREAVEMENT ACCOMPANIMENT MINISTER:** Adults seeking to walk with our parishioners who are experiencing loss by serving as card ministers, assisting as leaders for “Grieving With Great Hope”, assembling care packages sent to the families, and spending time making calls or meeting 1 on 1 to console, listen, and receive with them. Training will be included.
- **KNIT AND CROCHET MINISTRY:** Serves to comfort our parishioners in need by grief or illness along with celebrating the birth of a child through the making of prayer shawls and baby booties. Crafted in a group setting or at home.

- **ELIZABETH MINISTRY:** Need help acquiring donations and assistance with crafting, assembling, and delivering baskets for those who are celebrating a new birth or the loss of a child.
 - **RESPECT FOR LIFE:** Volunteer to serve and help advance the sanctity of life through events such as “40 Days for Life,” Respect Life month, the Mother’s Day Rose Sale, and other activities.
- + = Safe Environment Certification and Background Check required for adults in these positions.