

Pathways 2009 Program Description revised 8/3/09

Pathways 2009	A one-day, instructor-led, interactive formation program of prayer, learning, and reflection for catechists/religion teachers from multiple parishes/schools
Content	Session One: Vocation of Catechist/Religion Teacher; Creed & Sacred Scripture Session Two: Methods for catechists/teachers of Adults, Youth, & Children
Methodology	Multi-media presentations, facilitated discussion, Q/A; lengthy writing not required of participants; print materials supplied for future reference and study
Catechist Requirements	Registered member of a diocesan parish, fully initiated Catholic in good standing, VIRTUS training and background check completed
Cost	\$20/catechist, \$15/2004 Pathways certified catechist, \$15/religion teacher; includes online registration, training materials, and lunch
Certification	Parish Catechists - At the conclusion of the entire day, (Session One and Session Two) 9am- 4:30pm, parish catechists are certified, in accordance with <i>Called to Be Disciples</i> . Ongoing learning each year maintains certification. Pathways 2004 certified catechists completing Session One meet ongoing learning requirement for the year and maintain certification. NEW Catholic School Religion Teachers completing Session One earn 3 hours toward certification requirements. All other religion teachers are invited to attend & earn 3hrs.
Time	8:30am – 9:00am Hospitality, check in 9:00am – 12:30pm Session One 12:30pm – 1:00pm Lunch 1:00pm – 4:30pm Session Two & evaluation
Dates/Location	Same session content in each location; Session Schedule is on www.richmonddiocese.org/ocf . Sessions begin August 2009 – Fall 2010.
Registration	Catechists/Teachers may register themselves online at http://tinyurl.com/cdrpathways Each catechist/teacher will receive confirmation of registration via email. Catechetical Leaders/Principals may register catechists/teachers without email or access to the internet, but must communicate confirmation information to these catechists/teachers.
Registration Limit	In a few locations, room accommodations limit the number of registrants.
Deadline/Cancellations	Registrations must be entered by Wednesday of the same week Pathways is scheduled Cancellations must be entered by Wednesday of the same week Pathways is scheduled
Substitutions	Substitutions must be made by Wednesday of the same week Pathways is scheduled by contacting Sandra Survello, ssurvello@richmonddiocese.org or 804-622-5114. Walk-in substitutions will not be accepted on the day of the event.
Billing to Parish	Parishes will be billed for each registered catechist. Schools will be billed for each registered religion teacher. There will be no charge for registered participants who cancel by Wednesday before the Saturday event. Parishes/schools of registered participants absent on the day of the event without prior cancellation will be charged \$20, as food and materials will have been prepared for them.