

Advanced Certification Application

Roman Catholic Diocese of Boise

Religious Education and Catechetical Leadership Office

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Section 1: Personal Information

Name: _____
First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Mailing Address: _____
Street Number or P.O. Box _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address: _____

Home or Work phone: (____) ____ - _____ Cell phone: (____) ____ - _____

Parish _____ Parish City _____

Area(s) of Ministry _____

Section 2: Updating Advanced Certification: (Check off this section if sending in documentation for individual courses to update your file or your annual retreat)

- Submitting documents for file update
- Attendance at an annual retreat is required. Please provide documentation of retreat attendance annually. The retreat requirements consist of a specific time away, directed by someone other than participant, and held in a community setting.

Section 3: Attestation and Recommendation: (fill out this section ONLY after completing all courses)

I affirm that the information submitted by me or for me for certification purposes is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct. I attest that I have completed the Diocese of Boise Safe Environment training and have received a favorable Diocese of Boise background check.

I declare that I am in full communion with the Roman Catholic Church. I will uphold and remain faithful to the teachings of the Church, including its moral teachings, and will instruct my students in the faith in accordance with the Magisterium.

I am not Catholic but I declare I will uphold and remain faithful to the teachings of the Church, including its moral teachings, and will instruct my students in the faith in accordance with the Magisterium.

I have been involved in _____ parish/school ministry for _____ years.
Area of Ministry _____

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

I have reviewed the data on this application and recommend this individual for Advanced Certification upon successful completion of the program.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____
PASTOR

Signed: _____ Dated: _____
DRE/PRINCIPAL

Section 4: Documentation of outcomes in each focus area:

| Advanced Certification Topic | Outcomes | Fulfilled through |
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| Mariology (To complete this area all outcomes must be met) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognize the humanness of Mary. • Understand the historical Mary and the formation of Marian Doctrine in scripture and Tradition. • Understand the spiritual maternity of Mary • Understand the characteristics of a disciple and how Mary can lead us along her path of discipleship. • Reflect on the image of Mary in Christian art. • Recognize the presence of Mary in our lives. • Understand Mary in the light of the Magisterium and the pilgrimage of faith. • Know how to help others | <p>Date: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Live</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Recorded</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> VLCFF Dayton Course</p> <hr/> <p>Please list</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other –give details on an additional page</p> |
| Sacraments (To complete this area all outcomes must be met) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the power of sacramental words and symbols. • Understand the meaning of grace and how sacraments confer grace. • Gain a basic grasp of a brief history of the sacraments (Scripture, Tradition, and the Magisterium). • Explain how Baptism is the door to life in the Spirit. • Explain the steps of the RCIA. • Explain the Sacraments of Initiation, the Sacraments of Healing and the Sacraments of Vocation through origin and ritual. | <p>Date: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Live</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Recorded</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> VLCFF Dayton Course</p> <hr/> <p>Please list</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other –give details on an additional page</p> |
| Liturgy (To complete this area all outcomes must be met) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define the word “Liturgy.” • Discuss how liturgy is related to catechesis. • Understand the liturgical and sanctoral cycle. • Identify the origins and purpose of sacred worship. • Identify the major ritual elements of liturgies prevalent in the Church. • Explain the interdependence between liturgy and Christian living, particularly as people who are sent. • Understand the importance of hospitality and the communal dimensions of worship. | <p>Date: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Live</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Recorded</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> VLCFF Dayton Course</p> <hr/> <p>Please list</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other –give details on an additional page</p> |

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| <h2>Christology II</h2> <p>(To complete this area all outcomes must be met)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review the Christology's in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John and understand how they answer the question, "Who do you say that I am?" Identify the Councils (Ephesus, Nicea, Chalcedon) that articulated the Church's understanding of the full humanity and divinity of Jesus. Provide a simple explanation of what each Council said relevant to Jesus' humanity and divinity. Understand the cultural, political, and social context within which Jesus ministered. Understand the full significance of the passion and death of Jesus Christ. Understand the orthodox teaching Jesus Christ as true God and true human being, and why the Church came to this teaching. Understand something of how the two natures of Jesus, divine and human, co-exist in the divine person of Jesus. Understand what "orthodoxy" and "heresy" mean, and do not mean. | <p>Date: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Live</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Recorded</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> VLCFF Dayton Course _____</p> <p>Please list</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other –give details on an additional page</p> |
| <h2>Trinity</h2> <p>(To complete this area all outcomes must be met)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain how the Trinity shapes our understanding of God in the Catholic Tradition. Explain how the Trinity shapes our understanding of the human person and the dignity of the human person in the Catholic Tradition [CCC #154, 156, 36-43, 2419, 108]. Explain how Trinitarian doctrine originates from the New Testament. Understand the Church's theology of collaboration based on the Trinity as community, parish and institution as community, and the Pauline theology of Church as a community of many gifts and charisms, yet one body. | <p>Date: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Live</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Recorded</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> VLCFF Dayton Course _____</p> <p>Please list</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other –give details on an additional page</p> |
| <h2>Ecclesiology</h2> <p>(To complete this area all outcomes must be met)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Define the linguistic roots of the word "Church" (ekklesia, kyriake). Name the three primary images of Church from <i>Lumen Gentium</i>: People of God, Body of Christ, and Temple of the Holy Spirit. Explain how each image provides an optic into the full meaning of the Church. List the marks of the Church and explain their importance. Explain how the Church with one mission uses persons in different roles (lay and ordained) to accomplish its mission. Explain how the hierarchy of the Church supports the mission. Explain what is meant by the following terms and, if relevant, describe their relationship to one another: universal church, diocesan church, parish church, bishop, pastor. Explain how the Church supports the spiritual life of the faithful. | <p>Date: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Live</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Recorded</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> VLCFF Dayton Course _____</p> <p>Please list</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other –give details on an additional page</p> |

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| <p>Survey of Old Testament</p> <p>(To complete this area all outcomes must be met)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Familiarize oneself with the Old Testament in order to cultivate a deeper understanding and appreciation for the Scriptures and biblical study. • Understand the impact of geography and history on the forming of the Israelite community and its history. • Understand the construction of the Pentateuch. • Explain how the Old Testament is not a history book but a profound story of God's relationship with God's Chosen People. • Identify and understand the meaning and role of select "major" and "minor" prophets. • Understand the factors that caused the fall of Jerusalem and the Babylonian Exile. | <p>Date: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Live</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Recorded</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> VLCFF Dayton Course _____</p> <p>Please list</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other –give details on an additional page</p> |
| <p>Survey of New Testament</p> <p>(To complete this area all outcomes must be met)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify the contents of the New Testament, and its three sections. • Explain highlights from Dei Verbum (Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation) for a deeper understanding of the New Testament and its application to our lives. • Outline the three stages of Gospel development. • Identify the audience, purpose and vision of Mathew, Mark, Luke and John. • Understand the meaning of "low and high Christology" and eschatology. • Explain the purpose, structure and symbols in the Book of Revelation. | <p>Date: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Live</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Recorded</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> VLCFF Dayton Course _____</p> <p>Please list</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other –give details on an additional page</p> |
| <p>Church History</p> <p>(To complete this area all outcomes must be met)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand significant historical issues in the life of the early Church. • Explain the development of the Church's papacy and structure. • Understand how doctrine developed. • Analyze what we can learn from early Church History for the Church today. • Explain the meaning and purpose of Encyclicals, Ecumenical and Vatican Councils • Identify the contributions of Pope Pius XII, Pope John XXIII, Pope Paul VI and Pope John Paul II to the Church's 20th century journey. | <p>Date: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Live</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Recorded</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> VLCFF Dayton Course _____</p> <p>Please list</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other –give details on an additional page</p> |

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| Morality/Ethics (To complete this area all outcomes must be met) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain how the call to dignity of each human person and the common good ground both the Church's teaching in personal morality and social morality. • Define objective moral truth and the sources of moral norms in the Church. • Explain what is meant by a "well-formed conscience." (CCC #1783-1785.) • Be able to use a process for Catholic moral decision-making in contemporary moral issues. • List the Christian virtues, Theological and Cardinal. Explain how these are relevant to moral decision-making. • Explain the primacy of the Church's moral teaching in the life of the believer and the inviolability of human conscience. | Date: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Live <input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Recorded <input type="checkbox"/> VLCFF Dayton Course Please list <input type="checkbox"/> Other —give details on an additional page |
| Spirituality (To complete this area all outcomes must be met) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognize the Lord's Prayer as the "summary of the whole Gospel" [CCC #2761.] • Define prayer as covenant and communion; e.g., call of Moses, (Exodus 3:4- 14); Magnificat (Luke 1:46-55.) • Understand prayer as a reciprocal call between God and humans throughout the whole history of Salvation [CCC # 2588; 2591]. • Identify types of prayer: Blessing and Adoration, Petition, Intercession, Thanksgiving, Praise. • Understand faith sharing and theological reflection. • Be able to engage in Theological reflection. | Date: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Live <input type="checkbox"/> Diocesan Webinar Recorded <input type="checkbox"/> VLCFF Dayton Course - Please list <input type="checkbox"/> Other —give details on an additional page |

Section 5: Documentation of Annual Retreat Requirement:

Retreat Documentation

| | Retreat Date | Retreat Description (give details on additional page and attach retreat brochure) | Retreat Master |
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| Year 1 is when you began certification process | | | |
| *Year 2 | | | |
| *Year 3 | | | |

*You may take up to 3 years to complete certification

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| Date certification process began: | Background Ck: | Cert Mailed: |
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Last date revised: July 2018

