

TIPS FOR THE CATECHIST

Remember that the Holy Spirit will guide you

Here is a short but effective prayer that is great for all who teach:

“Lord, give me the Spirit that you want them to have.”

Be Jesus for those you teach (and for everyone)

We must be Christ's presence for others. Not only is it expected of us by the families, it is also expected of us from God.

Remember your own spirituality and tend to it

Living in a busy world seems to be an issue for all of us. Yet, we can't nurture others if we don't do so for ourselves. Remember to pray, read scripture and pray some more. (You can't give what you don't have, so strengthen your own spirituality.)

Love Jesus and love the gospel

Let your love show! The most important qualification for a catechist is the desire to share your faith in Jesus.

Practice what you teach

In order to teach this faith you must live it the best that you can. None of us are perfect, yet we must strive for it! Don't go to church half-hearted.

Rather, live a Eucharistic life.

“And this is the job of the catechist: constantly to go forth to others out of love, to bear witness to Jesus and to talk about Jesus, to proclaim Jesus.”

-Pope Francis