



Parish Expectations for Home-Based Catechesis

In the *Rite of Baptism*, parents are reminded that they are to be the first teachers of their children and promise to keep the flame of faith alive in their children's hearts. Home-based catechesis denotes that a family is assuming responsibility for religious instruction and formation in the home, as is their right.

It is the expectation of the parish that parents who choose Home-based catechesis will:

- Involve their children in the life and mission of the Church through weekly celebration of the Eucharist and participation in social justice and outreach opportunities.
- Select an approved curriculum from the list provide through the Diocese of Raleigh, as set forth by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB).
- Attend appropriate training and formation sessions that the parish or diocese provides.
- Encourage relationships and community between their children and the parish by attending age-appropriate activities and events as sponsored by the parish.
- Register their child for Home-Based Catechesis through the parish Faith Formation registration process, to ensure accurate record keeping.