

## WHAT IS THE CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD?

Beginning in 1954, in Rome, Italy, Sofia Cavalletti and her colleague, Montessorian Gianna Gobbi, developed an approach to faith formation that not only appealed to the profound religious intuition of younger and older children, but also evolved from the children themselves.

The **National Association of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd** was formed in 1984 in North America with its purpose as “involving adults and children in a common religious experience in which the religious values of childhood are predominate.”

The **SonFlower Region of CGS** incorporated in 2008 and serves catechists and atri in the state of Kansas and the Kansas City, Mo., metro area.

Focusing on God’s unconditional love through the parable of the Good Shepherd, the Level I catechist formation course is based on the conviction that God and the child are in a covenant relationship. It is the foundation for the Catechesis in general and for the 3- to 6-year-old child in particular.

This course, comprising two parts, gives the background formation as well as the skills to create a prepared environment and to offer presentations that enable the child and catechist to draw nearer to God. Spiritual reflection is inherent in the course.

A prerequisite for registering for Part 2 is completion of the first part of Level I formation.

**\*\* The SonFlower Region reserves the right to cancel a course if an enrollment of 17 is not met by the registration deadline. In such case, all tuition fees paid will be refunded to the registered participants.**



## LEVEL I, PART 1 COURSE NO. 1-1384

### DATES AND SCHEDULE

#### Part 1 dates

Sept. 16, Oct. 14, Nov. 11, 2017

Jan. 20, Feb. 10, March 10, April 14, 2018

#### Part 2 dates

Sept. 15, Oct. 13, Nov. 10, 2018

Jan. 12, Feb. 9, March 9, April 13, 2019

Sessions are from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### LOCATION

St. Paul Catholic Church  
900 S. Honeysuckle Drive  
Olathe, KS 66061  
Church Basement

### TUITION / REGISTRATION

Tuition for Part 1.....\$350

A nonrefundable, nontransferable deposit of **\$100 is due by Sept. 2, 2017.** Tuition balance of \$250 is due by the first day of class.

Send completed registration and \$100 deposit to:

Ms. Veronica Donegan  
SonFlower Region of CGS  
1822 W. Fredrickson Dr.  
Olathe, KS 66061

Applications for financial aid may be requested through the National Association at [www.CGSUSA.org](http://www.CGSUSA.org), the SonFlower Region at [www.CGSKsMo.org](http://www.CGSKsMo.org), or the Archdiocese of Kansas City, Kan., at [www.archkck.org](http://www.archkck.org).

## FORMATION LEADERS

**Marilee Quinn** is certified in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in all three levels (for ages 3 to 6, 6 to 9 and 9 to 12) and has been working with children in the atrium since 1990. She has served on the team for several national formation courses and is CGS formation leader in the Archdiocese of Kansas City, Kan., and the dioceses of Wichita, Kan.; Oklahoma City; Dallas, and Corpus Christi, Texas.

Marilee received a degree in early childhood education from the University of Kansas and an AMI Montessori certificate from Avila College. She is a mother, a grandmother, and a full-time Montessori directress.

**Jeanne Wichman** is certified to work with children ages 3 through 12 years of age in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and has been serving children in the atrium since 1997. She studied under Rebekah Rojcewicz, an internationally recognized formation leader.

Jeanne helped bring CGS to Holy Trinity Parish in Lenexa, Kan., and was co-coordinator of its CGS program for 15 years. She is a catechist in Levels I and II and serves on the SonFlower Region board. Her degree in psychology is from the University of Missouri at Columbia, and in 2013 she completed a CGS Heritage Course through Aquinas Institute of Theology. Jeanne is married and has two grown children.

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Registration for Course 1-1384  
Level I, Part 1  
2017-2018

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Registration form and \$100  
nonrefundable and nontransferable  
deposit are **due by Sept. 2, 2017**,  
checks payable to SonFlower Region CGS  
(memo #1-1384-1). Mail to:

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