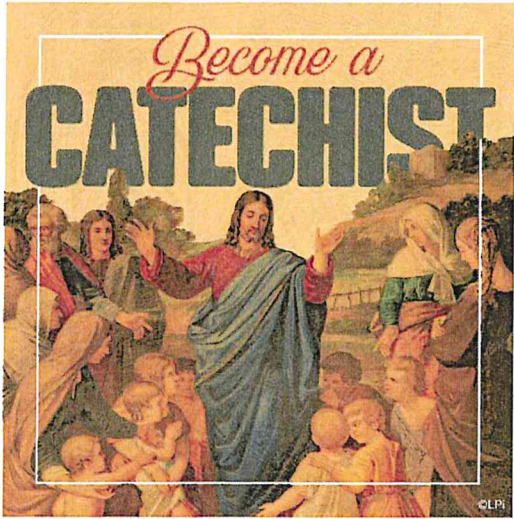




## In search of those willing to be a vessel of the Holy Spirit.

We are seeking people that want to share the love of Jesus with our youth at our Good News Center, in our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program, through Children's Liturgy, in sacramental preparation sessions, and in our high school youth ministry as a co-leader, with service projects, or to chaperone occasional events.

Even if you only have a small amount of time to give, that's okay, I have ways you can still assist with any of the programs. Even if you are not confident in your abilities as a teacher or leader, that's okay,

too. I have others you can work with until you are. Remember all our great catechists over the years also started with no experience and over time became master catechists. When we are baptized, we become disciples of Christ, He doesn't leave us as we set out on the mission He is calling us to. He is a great teacher who walks with us every step of the way. It is NEVER about how confident we feel, it is always about how willing we are to let Him work through us in sharing the Gospel message with those He leads us to.

All of that said, I know the Holy Spirit is nudging people in our parish community to come forward but it all seems so overwhelming and our lives seem too full already. I completely understand, which is why I would love to sit down with anyone feeling nudged to discuss what might be a perfect fit for you. The GREATER Church needs all the ears, eyes, hands, and feet it can get to share His message. What we give isn't always big and grand, most times it is small but mighty. The Church is never about the few that have many hours to give, it is always about everyone doing their part in whatever role it is the Holy Spirit is leading them to. Much like the Widow's Offering in Mark 12:43-44:

Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything – all she had to live on.

Now I am not taking away from those who have much time to give we need those as well, but I have found that people seem to think that because they do not have 5-10-20 hours a week to volunteer there is nothing for them. Well, that just is not true. The greater Church and our church have plenty for everyone to do. I am super excited to sit down with everyone to find a place for you even if it is just "two mites" of time a year.

It is never about how much you give but rather always that you give from your heart.

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