

Faith Formation Linkage Meeting
August 20, 2019

Safe Environment training required for all catechists. See DRE for more information.
Video program that addresses abuse prevention using Circle of Trust concept.

Letter from Seventh Day Adventist that was put on vehicles at St. Mary's Ackley during
10:30 Sunday Mass. Father said he would respond in editorial to newspapers.

Creating opportunities for Prayer: First Fridays at Hampton a Holy Hour
First Saturdays in Eldora at 9:00 AM
Ember Days are days of prayer. Usually go along with the change of seasons.
Holy Hour with emphasis on prayer for priests.

Totus Tuus received many positive comments from participants. There were many
opportunities for prayer. \$22.16/student as determined by total expenses minus
total donations taken from all parishes. A breakdown of donations, food:
lunches/snacks, volunteers and classroom chaperones from each parish, host
families.

Next year we should have a higher priority for a return of the program.
Theme will be the Glorious Mysteries.

Next Meetings: Tuesday Nov. 12 Read Chapters 4-6 in Forming Intentional Disciples
Tuesday Feb. 11
Tuesday May 12

Forming Intentional Disciples Chapters 1-3

Numbers vs programs

Introduction: Relationship with God at this point in your life.

Catechetical vs Intentional Disciples

Chapter 1 Why do people leave the Catholic church

Track A – leave for Protestant church; see their spiritual needs are not being met;
Find a church they like better.

Track B- Nones; Not believe in certain Church teachings; not believe in God,
Not found the right church yet.

Personal relationship with Christ. Sacraments are not bringing people back.

What worked before is not working now.

Chapter 2

Three spiritual journeys

- A. Personal Internal journey
- B. Sacraments Ecclesiastical journey
- C. Active practice

NORMAL CATHOLICS:

1. Have a living, growing relationship with God
2. Excited Christian Activists
3. Knowledgeable about faith, scripture, doctrine and moral teaching of the church, and history of the church.
4. Know individual strengths of and using them effectively to live vocation.
5. Know vision/mission in life given to them by God. Be actively engaged in discerning and living this vocation.
6. Have fellowship of other committed lay Catholics available.
7. Local parish function consciously as a house of formation for Catholics.

Chapter 3

Discipleship is central

Cultivating disciples

Participation of Laity

Discerning Christians.