

## SOUTHWEST SUBURBAN CLUSTER OF CATECHETICAL LEADERS MEETING MINUTES

### DATE:

09/10/25

### TIME & LOCATION:

10:00AM  
St. Francis of Assisi  
Orland Park, IL

### FACILITATOR & SECRETARY:

Beth Mikula & Brenna Baker

### IN ATTENDANCE

Brenna Baker (St. Augustine), Diana Barracca (St. Elizabeth Seton), Mary Kay Burberry (St. Francis), Alison Chandler (St. Christina), Kathleen Erikson (Our Lady of the Woods), Nora Hunt (St. Linus), Janet Jones (St. Albert the Great), Jeanne Lassendrello (St. George), Beth Mikula (Sacred Heart), Callie Pieczara (St. Catherine of Alexandria), Joanna Toczec (St. Fabien), Dee Zvejnieks (St. Stephens)

### GATHERING & PRAYER

Led by Mary Kay  
followed by introductions.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 2025 minutes were reviewed and approved motioned by Beth Mikula and seconded by Brenna Baker.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Catechist Training & Formation:** The provider never delivered last fall's training videos and quoted \$400 to record this year's sessions. The team decided not to record the upcoming formation sessions while pursuing the missing footage. Post-COVID, most catechists prefer in-person gatherings. Fall formation dates were moved from September at St. Fabian to October 9, 16, and 23 at Sacred Heart. Brenna will create flyers and registration.

**Family Faith Initiatives:** NCCL Collaboratives are still gathering. Jeanne explained the pilot program to new members.

**Shared Resources:** Waiting for report for website. Brenna shared [link](#) for leaders to update their contact information and share tuition rates and sacrament dates. Compiled lists will be shared with members.

**Self-Care:** No update on proposed January retreat. Someone will reach out to Sue Carter to confirm dates (January 5-7, 2026) at the Portiuncula Center for Prayer.

**Financial Report:** Beth presented the May–September 2025 financial report. Many cluster parishes still owe dues. Due to high turnover among catechetical leaders, outreach is needed to introduce new CLs to the benefits of cluster membership.

**Archdiocesan Report:** No update. Arch has eliminated Vicariate reps.

### OTHER BUSINESS:

A short discussion was held regarding how each parish handles sacrament masses.

### NEXT MEETING

9:30AM, October 8, 2025, at St. George, Tinley Park.  
(Facilitator: Brenna Baker, Secretary: Mary Kay Burberry)