

§700 EVALUATION OF PROGRAMS

"Catechetical programs should be subjected to regular evaluation. The evaluation should be made in light of established goals and objectives, which themselves should be evaluated periodically." (NCD, #222)

701.1. Policy The parish shall evaluate its catechetical programs annually in accord with objective criteria. The Archdiocesan Office for Catechesis will offer assistance in program evaluation.

Procedures

- a) Parish catechetical programs are evaluated according to:
 - 1) the principles articulated in the *National Catechetical Directory*.
 - 2) the previously established goals and objectives of the program.
(See §400, Catechetical Planning.)
- b) Parish catechesis is evaluated every three to five years using *Harvesting Hope/Cosechando La Esperanza: A Process for Evaluating Parish Catechesis*.
- c) Parish catechetical programs are evaluated annually according to goals and objectives previously established through *the Harvesting Hope/Cosechando La Esperanza* or other planning/evaluation process.
- d) On-going evaluation of parish catechetical programs involves feedback from participants and other parishioners who reflect all of the diversities of parish membership.
- e) Members of the parish catechetical staff provide input for the overall parish planning process *Tomorrow's Parish*.