



CATHOLICISM

St. Mary's Cathedral

Archdiocesan Department of Evangelization

Frequently Asked Questions & Our Experience

The Cathedral parish in collaboration with the Department of Evangelization offered *Catholicism* by Fr. Robert Barron. Every episode has been rated as “Excellent” or “Very” Good. Nineteen different parishes have been represented at our viewings. Since the viewing started last fall we have had calls from parishes asking about the process.

How did you organize the program?

10 Sessions with an evening format (90 Minutes):

Hospitality	
10 Min.	Opening Prayer
45 Min.	Video Presentation on big screen
30 Min.	Discussions
5 Min.	Closing Prayer

Did you provide the workbooks or other handouts?

The workbooks are very good, but we felt the workbooks were designed more for a formal class. They would be excellent for faith formation program, a high school class of juniors or senior or a college introductory course. We prepared a modified handout that offers two questions for discussion and suggestions for further study in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* and the *Bible*. These on Archdiocesan web site. In addition there is a simple evaluation each person to fill out.

Should the parish buy the Leader's Kit or just the video?

Yes, if a parish is considering purchasing the series, the parish *should* buy the **Study Program Leader's Kit**. This will provide catechists and facilitators all the resources and backup they need to successfully offer the program. In addition the Leader's Kit will make it easier to use individual episodes for a specific class. For example Episode 7 on the Eucharist is an excellent resource for RCIA, 1st Communion Parents, etc.

Do you have to view the episodes in order?

No, if someone misses an episode or begins attending later in the program; they will be able to fully participate. It is most effective to start at the beginning and complete all ten in order.

Where is there more information?

Details about *Catholicism*, the video, materials and other information can be found at the website

<http://www.catholicismseries.com/>