



“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,... teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and behold, I am with you always, to the close of the age” (Matthew 28:19-20).

Who should sign up?

- Parents
- Teachers
- Young adults
- DREs/CREs/Faith formation leaders
- Parish catechists
- Lay ministry leaders
- Baptismal & marriage preparation leaders
- Homeschoolers
- Those seeking Diocesan Basic Catechist Certification
- Those seeking to renew certification
- Those seeking advanced formation
- Those seeking Diocesan Master Catechist certification
- Catholics desiring to deepen their Faith

Who We Are

About Us

The Maris Stella Institute (MSI) is a diocesan-approved catechetical center of higher studies for basic & advanced learning in magisterial teaching as defined by the *General Directory for Catechesis 251-252 & Catechesi Tradendae 71*. MSI continues to provide opportunities for adult and young adult catechetical faith formation.

Founded on Sacred Scripture, rooted in Sacred Tradition, and in union with the Magisterium of the Catholic Church, the Maris Stella Institute is a (pending) nonprofit tax-exempt status catechism institute of master catechists, catechists and teachers dedicated to catechizing as a spiritual work of mercy for the new poor and spiritually neglected of our time.

All Board members, faculty, staff and students make a public profession of Faith and take and sign the Oath of Fidelity.

How to Register

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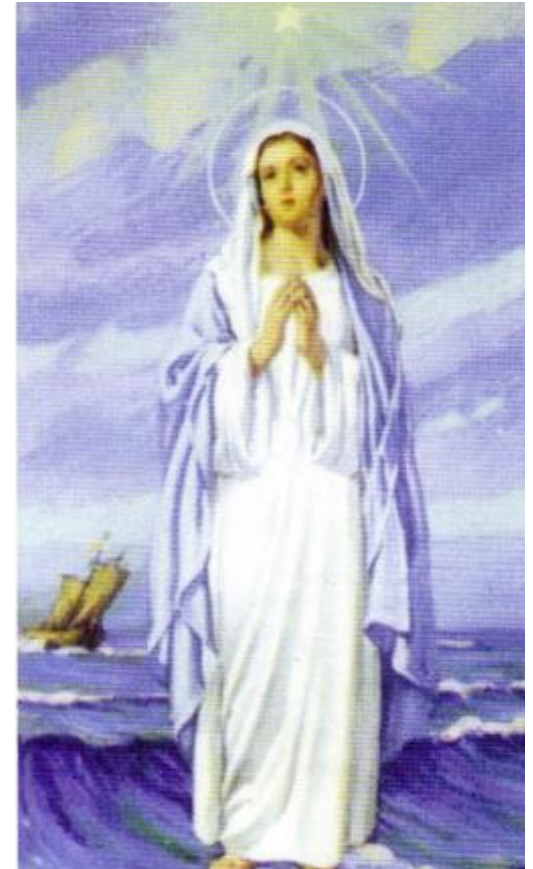
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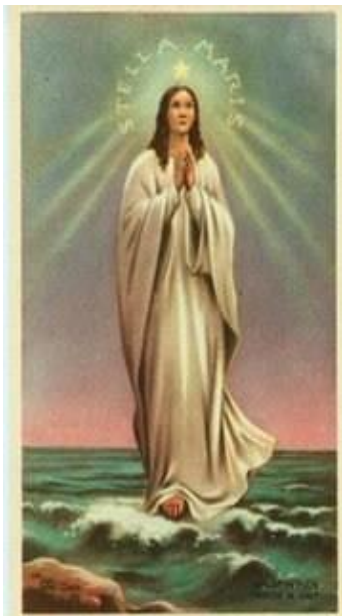
*Ave Maris Stella,
Send Forth Light to the Blind!*



*"I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep"
(John 10:14).*

Our Mission

Our mission is to provide bishops and their dioceses with systematic courses in the "Catechism of the Catholic Church" and other magisterial documents as a means to obtain catechetical certification.



Our Vision

To this end, we envision a comprehensive center of studies offering specialized programs that exceed state catechetical guidelines and local diocesan standards. Each program mutually benefits the other programs.

- ❖ Adult Catechetical & Theological Sessions (ACTS) for adults seasoned with life experience
- ❖ Young Adult Catechist Society (YACS) where young adult master catechists form fellow young adults
- ❖ Advanced/Continuing Formation to Renew Certification (Non-Master Catechist Track)
- ❖ Advanced/Continuing Formation to Renew Certification (Master Catechist Mentorship Program)

Our Curriculum

- ❖ Creed
- ❖ Seven Sacraments
- ❖ Catechetical Methods
- ❖ Moral Life in Christ
- ❖ Christian Prayer



MSI's 6th Commencement Exercises taken on Aug. 22, 2015, the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Our Faculty

Fr. Avram Brown; Mary L. Davenport, M.D.; Deacon Raj Derivera; Joseph Hollcraft, Ph.D.; Fr. Jerome L. Jung, J.D., J.C.D.; Deacon David Leatherby, Jr.; Fr. Jeremy P. Leatherby; Br. Richard Maher, O.P.; Fr. Brian Soliven; Fr. Colin Wen; Master Catechist Jarred Barrios; Master Catechist Ian Emperador; Master Catechist Annabelle Estrella; Master Catechist Osvaldo Guzman; Master Catechist Jeremy Mallett; Master Catechist AJ Nati; Master Catechist Myra Nati; Master Catechist Sean Salvatin, J.D.; Master Catechist Marita Yu and more...

"In our time of confusion about the teachings of the Church on faith and morals, the Maris Stella Institute combines a spirituality of consecration to Our Lady with learning and living the teachings of the Magisterium, especially those in the "Catechism of the Catholic Church". I have seen how ordinary Catholics joyfully take the Oath of Fidelity and are encouraged to become saints. I grant my endorsement of the Maris Stella Institute and encourage pastors to send their parishioners here for solid formation."



Fr. Jeremy P. Leatherby
Spiritual Director of MSI
