



# Group 21 – 2023-2025

## BOOKS REQUIRED FOR YEAR 1

The following books are required for Year 1 of the Ministry Formation Program. **PLEASE check the preview sheets** in advance, as instructors may require reading materials from The Bible, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, or from online sources. You are responsible for purchasing your own books.

### **PRAYER AND LEADING PRAYER session**

#### **Book of Blessings**

**REQUIRED FOR AURORA STUDENTS, IF AVAILABLE.**

**RECOMMENDED FOR ALL OTHERS.**

By Joseph P. DeLaney  
Liturgical Press  
ISBN# 0814620892

### **INTRO TO THE OLD TESTAMENT and SALVATION HISTORY sessions**

**REQUIRED IN CRYSTAL LAKE AND LOVES PARK/ROCKFORD**

**RECOMMENDED IN AURORA**

#### ***Bible Basics for Catholics: A New Picture of Salvation History***

By John Bergsma  
Ave Maria Press  
1594713472

### **THE TRINITY session**

**Required in Aurora only**

#### **The One Thing Is Three: How the Most Holy Trinity Explains Everything**

By Fr. Michael E. Gaitley  
Marian Press  
ISBN: **159614260X**  
ISBN-13: **9781596142602**

### **INTENTIONAL DISCIPLESHIP Session**

**REQUIRED FOR ALL LOCATIONS**

#### **Forming Intentional Disciples: The Path to Knowing and Following Jesus – Revised and Expanded**

By Sherry Weddell  
Our Sunday Visitor  
ISBN# 9781681922072

**THE GOSPELS – LIFE OF JESUS and ACTS & EPISTLES sessions**  
**REQUIRED FOR ALL LOCATIONS**

**New Testament Basics for Catholics**

By John Bergsma  
Ave Maria Press  
1594715823

**CHURCH HISTORY I AND II sessions**

**The Catholic Church through the Ages, Second Edition: A History**

**REQUIRED IN CRYSTAL LAKE AND LOVES PARK/ROCKFORD**

By John Vidmar OP  
Paulist Press  
ISBN-10: **0809149044**  
ISBN-13: **978-0809149049**

**The Compact History of the Catholic Church: Revised Edition**

**REQUIRED IN AURORA**

By Dr. Alan Schreck  
Servant  
ISBN# 086716879X

**In addition, all candidates are expected to have the following:**

**Catechism of the Catholic Church** (Second Edition)

ISBN# 1574551108 if purchasing.

If you already have the (First Edition) ISBN# 0821598104, you may use it.

**Any Catholic edition of the Bible is acceptable (Hard copy or Catholic Bible app). If interested, our recommendation is the following:**

**Ignatius Catholic Study Bible: New Testament:** ISBN# 9781586172503

**Online Resources:**

**Online Catechism**

<https://scborromeo2.org/catechism-of-the-catholic-church>

**Online Bible**

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible>

# MINISTRY FORMATION BOOKS RECOMMENDED FOR YEAR 1

## References and Recommended Reading:

**Co-Workers in the Vineyard of the Lord** can be found at:

<http://www.usccb.org/upload/co-workers-vineyard-lay-ecclesial-ministry-2005.pdf>

**Documents of Vatican II** can be found at:

[http://www.vatican.va/archive/hist\\_councils/ii\\_vatican\\_council/index.htm](http://www.vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vatican_council/index.htm)

### **THE SEARCH program**

Chris Stefanick & Paul McCusker  
Augustine Institute  
Can be viewed on FORMED