

## HOW IS THIS EDUCATION CONDUCTED?

1. Each course uses one or more textbooks on the course subject in addition to the Bible and the Catholic Catechism. These textbooks are provided at the publisher's retail price less 50% of the facilitator's discount, which is also used for paper and printing expenses.
2. All participants are requested to read in advance each chapter or segment thereof to be covered on each approaching weekend session. This is optional, but increases learning.
3. Attention Getter questions are prepared to cover each chapter of the textbook(s) and the answers are provided in the context and wording of the textbook by email early in the preceding week in order to provide time for reading before each coming session. If a participant has a busy secular schedule during the week, the Q & A material is all that is needed to get up to speed for the session. It should be printed out and brought to class if possible. If not, come to class anyway to get the advantage of the discussions.
4. Complying with steps two and three permits participants to be familiar enough with the material before they get to each session so that a maximum amount of session time can be applied toward discussion instead of encountering the textbook material for the first time only at class. However, this course format works also for participants who can't or won't do homework. This certainly is your choice. The course will still be meaningful if you only come to as many sessions as your schedule permits. Renewing your faith in fragments is better than no-renewal at all and EVERYONE who attends this education is surprised by how much of it they didn't know.
5. At each session, every participant reads a question and answer, or a paragraph in the textbook, in a rotating manner around a quadrangle table arrangement that allows everyone to see everyone else and identify them with name tags. There are no breakout sessions. After each answer or portion of the text is read, questions and comments are discussed before proceeding. In addition, any participant may initiate discussion at anytime during the reading of the text or each answer by simply raising their hand.
6. Discussion that wanders off track or is unnecessarily lengthy is avoided by the facilitator who is there to keep all discussion on topic and timely. However, there is no pressure to stick to the pre-determined schedule because the learning needs of each participant are paramount in this ministry. This is what makes it different. Focus is on the participation of each individual member of the class for maximum learning of the material.

With this format and its intense attention to everyone's learning, the most frequent complaint about the courses from the participants is that we are going too fast. If you love your faith, you will not be bored with this material. It helps you connect your Catholicism to your challenges in Satan's secular world and helps you find God's will for you.