



Totus Tuus, INC

SUMMER CATECHETICAL PROGRAM + YOUTH RETREATS

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1. Read through the entire application before you begin.
2. Answer all questions.
3. Please type or print legibly. You may type answers directly and email it to me.
4. Be honest, for many of the questions there are no right answers – they are to learn who you are.

Applicant's Information

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Phone(____) _____ Wk(____) _____

I can be reached at this address until ___/___/___, then write to:

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Phone(____) _____ Wk(____) _____

(Arch)Diocese _____

Parent/Guardian Information

Father's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Phone(____) _____ Wk(____) _____

Mother's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Phone(____) _____ Wk _____

Education

I graduated from _____ High School in _____. Cumulative GPA _____

Post High School Education

_____	_____	Public/Private
Institution	Degree/Certificate Earned	circle one
_____	_____	_____
Field(s) of study	Years attended	Cumulative GPA
_____	_____	Public/Private
Institution	Degree/Certificate Earned	circle one
_____	_____	_____
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Employment History

2. Please document your last two paid positions of employment

Business Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State ___ Zip _____
Phone(____) _____
Duties _____

BusinessName _____
Address _____
City _____ State ___ Zip _____
Phone(____) _____
Duties _____

Volunteer History

3. Please Document the last two volunteer positions you held.

Organization's Name _____

Address _____
City _____ State ___ Zip _____
Phone(____) _____
Supervisor _____
Duties: _____

Organization's Name _____

Address _____
City _____ State ___ Zip _____
Phone(____) _____
Supervisor _____
Duties: _____

Parish Involvement

4. Check all that apply.

I have...

___ taught or assisted in a religious education program at a parish.

___ assisted in a youth ministry program in my post high school years.

___ served as a reader, Eucharistic minister, altar server and/or choir member at a parish.

___ served in a parish in other capacities.

Please elaborate on each of the items that pertain.

Catholic Formation

5. Please check and fill in all that apply.

- I am baptized
- I was confirmed in the Catholic Church at the age of ____.
- For the past twelve months, I have met my obligation of attending Sunday liturgy and Holy Days of Obligation.
- I converted to Catholicism at the age of ____ from the _____ faith.
- I attended Catholic schools in grades _____.
- I attended a Catholic college/university for ____ years.
- Other than in school, I attended religious education classes in grades _____.
- I attended youth ministry programs (i.e. CYO) in junior high or high school grades.

Please answer the following questions in two or three sentences.

6. What was your primary reason for attending religious education of any sort?
7. If you are out of high school, have you participated in any bible studies, religious education classes, Christian fellowship groups, etc?
8. What is your personal experience/feelings about the religious education you received?

Music and Language

Please fill in all areas that apply.

9. What instrument do you play? # of years skill: beginner, intermediate, advanced
- _____
- _____

Please describe any experience you have had in playing for liturgy and/or youth ministry events.

10. Foreign languages studied? # of years skill: beginner, intermediate, advanced
- _____
- _____

Retreat and Teaching Experience

11. Please check all that apply and fill in requested information.

- I have attended approximately ____ retreats at the age(s) of _____.
- I have helped conduct ____ retreats at the age(s) of _____.
- I attended bible school approximately ____ years, during grade(s) _____.
- I have helped or assisted in teaching bible school.

If you helped conduct a retreat or taught/assisted in bible school, please explain. Include the name(s) of the retreat or bible school, the grades, and your involvement and position.

12. For each of the following items, please indicate your experience by selecting a number between one and five, with five being the most experience. If you have had no experience with a particular item, indicate this with an "N".

- Prayer with others
- Small talk with retreatants
- Given personal faith sharing
- Plan prayer services and liturgies
- Maintain order during retreats
- Provide entertainment
- Lead small group discussion
- Develop and act out skits/dramas
- Teaching religious education (i.e.CCD)
- Teaching non-religious subjects
- Care for young children ages 5-7
- Care for adolescent children
- Experience with high school age students

Short Essay

Please answer or complete the following questions.

13. How did you first hear about TOTUS TUUS?

14. Please complete the following sentence. I am applying to TOTUS TUUS at this time in my life because...

15. Other than church related activities, what are your interests and hobbies?

16. Describe the role of your family in the development of your Catholic faith; including prayer habits, Mass, etc.

17. Regarding relationships: When my feelings are hurt, I tend to...

18. What do you value about being Catholic?

19. In our daily lives, most of us are very busy and find little free time. After a particularly intensive week of being up early and to bed late, you find you have a Friday night and Saturday free. How would you rest or unwind?

20. Do you consider yourself a leader? Would you like to be a leader? Explain.

21. How do you normally react to criticism, especially from a peer?

22. How do you handle conflict? Be sure to mention what role you usually take.
(mediator, aggressor, gatekeeper, etc.)

23. How do you see yourself promoting and adding to team prayer life?

24. Using the scale below, please rate (1-5) yourself in the following:

Almost always 1	Frequently 2	Sometimes 3	Rarely 4	Never 5
___determination	___procrastination	___loneliness		
___dependability	___fault finding	___fatigue		
___punctuality	___assertiveness	___fear		
___opinionated	___happiness/joy	___self-confidence		
___moodiness	___self-control	___friendliness		

From the above list, please elaborate on two strengths and two areas of needed improvement.

25. Have you ever considered to what state in life God is calling you, whether it be marriage, priest, religious brother, religious sister, or single? Explain your process of discernment.

Essays

Please answer the following questions in brief detail.

26. Explain your pilgrimage of faith within the Catholic Church.
27. In detail, name one person other than a parent, who has inspired your faith and explain.
28. Describe your current life of prayer (when, how, what, etc.)
29. Are there any teachings of the Catholic Church with which you have a difficulty?
30. We know that the Sacraments bring us closer to God. Explain in detail the first time you experienced the awesome power of God in a Sacrament. (It does not have to be First Communion)
31. Explain how we need you and how you need TOTUS TUUS. Simply, why should we “hire” you?

Be sure to send a recent personal photo with your application