



Subcommittee on the Catechism

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Your Eminence or Excellency,

As chairman of the Subcommittee on the Catechism, I am writing you along with Bishop Robert Barron, chairman of the Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis. As your brother bishops, we seek your support and assistance in conducting a national survey in every high school in your diocese, your diocesan superintendent, high school principals, high school theology department heads, and a sampling of high school theology teachers, as well as brief survey for you as the diocesan bishop.

In 2007, the Bishops of the United States unanimously approved the creation of the High School Doctrinal Curriculum Framework, which was implemented in 2011. Seven years after its implementation, we find it necessary to assess the implementation and usefulness of the framework in service to all diocesan bishops in the religious formation of high school students of their diocese. Today, we wish to seek your support in the completion a national survey we are conducting through Vinea Research. By encouraging participation in the national survey, you will assist us to reach your diocesan staff.

Mr. Hans Plate or a member of the Vinea Research team will be conducting this research at various intervals over this 2017-2018 school year. We request your assistance in communicating this information with your diocesan high school staff and strongly encouraging their participation in order to meet the standards of a national survey, whose ultimate aim is to better serve your diocesan needs. Should you have any questions about the survey, please feel free to contact the Subcommittee on the Catechism's staff, Carlos Taja, Ph.D. Cand., Assistant Director, at ctaja@uscgb.org or at 202-541-3008. Thank you in advance for your time and collaboration and may the Lord bless your ministry.

Yours in Christ,

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