



Vocare Communications

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We pray your school year is off to a great start and that this form of communication has helped all participants navigate through Vocare. In this month's edition, we are highlighting new options for online courses and discussing some great updates within our platform. As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email us at vocaresupport@catholiccincinnati.org.

*"Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."
2 Corinthians 4:16*

ONLINE COURSE OPTIONS IN VOCARE

There are great classes to take online to achieve your 10 credits in Vocare. Below are a list of courses that would be enriching catechetical content for all catechists and teachers of religion.

Practical Spirituality for Teachers: (6 credits) As someone called to be a teacher, it is as a teacher that you will become holy. In this course, Fr. Thomas Dailey from the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales describes how the simple, practical wisdom of St. Francis de Sales can help you to grow in holiness through your vocation as a teacher.

Spirituality and the Interior Life: (4 credits) Spirituality and the Interior Life is an engaging course that guides the participant along the road of holiness. The course explores the foundations of spiritual theology while offering concrete applications to help participants grow in their daily prayer life.

Becoming a Person of Virtue: (5 credits) This course is heavily focused on Moral Formation as we look at how we make decisions and form habits in our lives as well as how we form virtues. Living as a Christian in Society is another primary focus of this badge as we evaluate how our virtues or lack thereof impact others around us.

Introduction to the Catholic Prayer and Devotions: (3 credits) In this course, you will receive an introduction to the rich Catholic tradition and teachings on prayer. The Church recognizes three main expressions of prayer, and you will learn the importance and value of each expression, as well as receive helpful guidance for your own prayer journey.

VOCARE UPDATES

Thank you for sharing your feedback with us on how Vocare is working for you. We want this online catechetical platform to be a helpful tool that is both user-friendly and filled with great content. To offer as many options as possible, we have made 2 updates in our policies on how you can receive your 10 credits:

1. You can receive more than 3 credits for outside events. You must still fill out the Pre-Approval Form prior to the event, but as long as you are receiving 10 credits by the end of June, any amount of those can be from outside events.
2. There are no longer badges that you must complete to move to a separate group of courses. You are invited to take any courses you deem appropriate regardless of where the course falls in our *Call, Witness, Proclaim* or *Enrich* designation.

In summary, it doesn't matter what route you take in getting your credits, as long as you get your 10 credits each year.

Quick Links to our Most Popular Pages

Event Pre-Approval Form – Go to <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/vocare-event-pre-approval-form/> to obtain credit approval prior to your event.

Event Submission Form - Go to <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/vocare-conferenceseminarworkshop-credit-submission-form/> and enter your information. Don't forget to include your 200-word reflection and hit "Submit".

Catechist Observation Packet – Go to <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/Catechist-Observation.pdf> to learn more about the procedures for catechist observations.

Vocare CEU Process

Religion School Teachers and Principals – Please do not forget that you can use your religion courses and events for both Vocare and CEU credits. For the Vocare CEU Process explanation, click [HERE](#). For the actual Vocare CEU Form, click [HERE](#). Any questions pertaining to CEU's should be directed to the School's Office.