



FORMED

Best Practice Suggestions

FORMED is a dynamic online platform which allows every parishioner and person living within parish boundaries who registers to have 24/7 access to the best Catholic content on any electronic device. FORMED includes video programs explaining the faith (e.g. Symbolon), Bible Studies, full length movies, books and audio talks. Available resources feature well-noted speakers such as Dr. Scott Hahn, Bishop Robert Barron, Dr. Edward Sri, Chris Stefanick and many others.

Legacy of Faith has provided grant funding to some parishes for the FORMED program for several years now. As the program increases in popularity, we thought we would ask those parishes that have used it to share some “tips and tricks” or “best practices” to help parishes/people get the most out the program. Below are their suggestions.

May God bless you in your ministry of faith formation to his Church!

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1. When I first signed the parish up for FORMED, I placed a large insert in the bulletin and after that weekly information and the code and only 2 people had signed up after a month.
2. I found out that talking to people face to face and encouraging them to check it out had the best results!!
3. Since the parish has signed up, 6 months ago, we have had 3 series of adult education sessions:
1.) The Bible and the Sacraments 2.) A Lent to Remember 3.) The Bible and the Virgin Mary. We had a great turn out for the first study and as we are now into the third study we have had a few more come with those that originally came. Great sharing in discussion afterwards. It's also an added plus to be able to print and get leaders guides and questions with each session.
4. I think the small group studies are one of the best ways to use FORMED, people seem to enjoy learning as a group.
5. Several of the CCD teachers/Confirmation/ pre K / used the FORMED as a supplement resource for teaching.
6. Formed program resources offer bulletin inserts that can be printed and inserted into your parish bulletins to help increase use.
7. Printing cards with login information for the parish to invite them to used FORMED PROGRAM. Hand out the cards to those looking into marriage, baptism etc. (should be handed out by priests as requests come in).