

## *The Friendship of Catechists*

"She [Sofia Cavalletti] noted that when we come together, we feel we have already met, and even that we have been friends forever. She continued by saying that this deep friendship applies not only to those who were in the room; it includes those who are far from us, with who we are deeply linked. Distance does not affect this friendship."

- Tina Lillig, "Life of the Catechist: The Necessity of Friendship for the Catechist" Journals of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: 1998-2002, p 93.



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### **Contributing: Annual membership of \$50 or more**

Connects catechists and others, who appreciate the gift that CGS offers the child, to those throughout the country who also wish to nurture the child's relationship with God. Anyone serving the child through this work is encouraged to join CGSUSA at the entry level.

### **Supporting: Annual membership of \$150 or more**

Strengthens the network that connects catechists to one another and supports the continued development of catechist resources. Gifts at this level support the full cost of membership.

### **Visioning: Annual Membership of \$500**

Ensures the vision and work of CGSUSA can be shared with others who are committed to this method of spiritual formation of the child. If you have the heart for and capacity to give more, we ask your prayerful consideration of membership at this level.

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**Individual  
Membership**

# Who is the Individual Member?

The Individual Member is any individual person (catechist, formation leader, aide, director/coordinator, clergy/religious, passionate parent/grandparent, etc.) so that we can continue to build the network of those who support this work.



## FEATURES OF MEMBERSHIP

Annual Journal

Communication

- CGSUSA News
- Foglietto
- Member Memo
- Parent Newsletter

Online Materials Manual

Membership Directory

Voting Privilege

Mustard Seeds

Scholarships and Grants

## BENEFIT OF MEMBERSHIP

This annual publication contains an array of articles pertinent to our work, often used as sources on album pages, including: children's artwork, prayers, and anecdotes from children all to nourish us in the spirit of CGS.

Updates on news and events from the Association and from the Consiglio. Messages from the CGSUSA staff, your elected board and the International Council.

**Monthly** resources for you to share with the catechists and families in your community.

The Level One and Two Materials Manuals are offered for those members who are in the process of formation or have completed formation at the particular Level they are requesting. The materials manuals include color photos, directions, downloadable PDFs making dioramas, card materials, prayer cards and much more.

Locate and connect with catechists from your region and around the country, to share resources and enjoy the fellowship and friendship of fellow catechists.

One individual from the Organization has the honor to be a voice by their vote.

CGSUSA is the source for the Mustard Seeds for your Atrium. A packet of mustard seeds is your membership gift for this year!

The organization is eligible to apply for scholarships and grant monies for formation courses. There is also grant money available to assist in building atria.