Standard Certification (II)

Church History

10 Hours

Course Overview: To offer an introductory level study providing a background for an understanding of the historical developments of the Catholic Church.

Course Goals:

- 1. To provide catechists with an expanded knowledge of the rich religious history and traditions of the Catholic Church.
- 2. To deepen in the participants an appreciation of their role in the Church.

Course Objectives:

To give a general overview of the main periods of Church History from the Early Church Fathers up to Vatican II.

To give general principles of Catholic Ecclesiology

To assist the participants discern and communicate the magisterial teachings of the Church based on knowing how they developed.

To examine the role that prayer, the study of Scripture, and the teachings of the Church have had in the past two thousand years.

To understand that all members of the Church are responsible for the transmission of the Gospel message.

To learn the history of the Church's insights and wisdom from both the successes as well as the missteps of our forbearers.