

Corpus Christi offers two faith formation tracts. Blest are We which is a traditional book learning program and the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd which is a Montessori based program.

Q. What is the difference between Montessori and traditional education?

A. Children in Montessori classes learn at their own, individual pace and according to their own choice of activities from hundreds of possibilities. Corpus Christi's Montessori classes place children in mixed grade groups. (K-1) (2-4) (5-6) forming communities in which the older children spontaneously share their knowledge with the younger ones. Montessori represents an entirely different approach to education.

Which Faith Formation program is best for my child?

Complete the following to see which program might work better for your child.

Circle which answer best describes your child:

Recognizes words by:	sight	sounding out
When inactive they:	stare or doodle	fidget or talk
Responds to new situations by:	watching people/events	touching/feeling/talking
Gets ideas (concepts) better when:	reading on own	read to
Can complete homework with:	with a good deal of supervision	little or no direction
Learns better with:	entire class demonstrations	small group demonstrations
Asks questions:	when encouraged to	readily on own
Works better:	in a large group	independently
Can sit quietly for:	short periods	rarely sits; needs to move often
When given a task they will:	require encouragement to complete	complete the task on their own
Upon learning concrete specifics they:	will be satisfied	will see a bigger picture
When behaving silly and are asked to calm down they:	require additional help	can calm themselves down
Learns better by:	example	hands on
Works better in a group of:	their own peers	mixed ages
When disciplined my child responds to:	rewards & punishment	Natural & logical consequences
When it comes to chores, prefers to be:	given a specific chore	to choose a chore

Add 1 point for each circled answer:

We think your child will succeed in either faith formation program. However, if you answered yes to more items in the first column, our Blest are We book program might be better for your child. If you answered yes to more items in the second column, your child might enjoy our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Montessori program better.