



**CATECHESIS OF THE
GOOD SHEPHERD
LEVEL 1 ATRIUM (AGES 3-6)**



“**The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd** is a Montessori-based religious formation program for children... It seeks to create and facilitate a sacred, ‘hands-on’ space for children called an Atrium, in which both the children and their catechists can hear, ponder, and celebrate the most essential mysteries of the Catholic faith as revealed in the Scriptures and the Liturgy. Originally developed in Rome by Sofia Cavaletti and Gianna Gobbi fifty years ago, the Catechesis continues to spread world-wide.”(1).

Our sessions are part of our Sunday Faith Formation program, but the calendar is slightly different (see back of page). Please use the regular registration forms to enroll. If you are interested in CGS, but cannot attend Sunday, or if we are full, please contact Jenny to discuss different arrangements.



**Come to our Open House!
Sunday, September 12th
After the 10:30 am Mass**



Within the Atrium the mysteries of God and of the child meet, drawing all into a deeper relationship with Him who loved us first. Each level is specifically tailored to the developmental stages and needs of the child. The focus of the Atrium is not intellectual; that is secondary. The Atrium is a retreat center designed to help the child come to God himself that s/he may come to know and grow in relationship with the Good Shepherd. (John 10: 14-15)