



## FORMED

### Best Practice Suggestions

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

Parishes are encouraged to offer opportunities for people to gather occasionally for discussion groups, studies, a movie or audio talk from the FORMED platform!

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

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1. I found out that talking to people face to face and encouraging them to check it out had the best results!!
2. 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.
3. I think the small group studies are one of the best ways to use FORMED, people seem to enjoy learning as a group.
4. When I first signed the parish up for FORMED, I placed a large insert in the bulletin. The insert invited people to log on and provided the access code. After that, brief information and the access code was included as a regular bulletin announcement.
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 use FORMED. Hand out the cards to those looking into marriage, baptism etc. (should be handed out by priests as requests come in). Place cards in pews, bulletins and in the gathering space.