

MISSION STATEMENT

It is the intent of these guidelines to assist in the development of an orderly formation program by identifying the core objectives for each phase of formation, specifying essential resources, and giving practical suggestions for a curriculum. The guidelines are not intended to impose burdensome requirements, but to aid groups and communities in developing a formation program that will achieve the end of introducing candidates to our way of life in a manner that will enable them to meet the challenges of an intimate relationship with God.

Those communities who already have programs in place that work well for them will need to review them to ensure they are in compliance with all aspects of the uniform guidelines. Those groups and communities who are developing their programs will find that the guidelines minimize the burdens associated with developing a strong program of formation.