



June 23, 2023

Dear Parents,

Our records indicate you have a child who is a member of our parish, and/or was welcomed into the church through baptism. The sacrament of baptism is just the start of your child's Christian journey. If your child is in first grade or older, we invite you to continue their faith journey by enrolling them into our Religious Education Program. In their second year, they will have the opportunity to learn and receive God's grace and healing through the sacrament of Reconciliation and unite with Christ through the mystery of Holy Communion. By their junior year, your child should be prepared to be fully received into the church and strengthened by the gifts of the Holy Spirit through the sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation may be the final step of our program, but it also opens up a new beginning to something extraordinary. Please prayerfully consider enrolling your child into our program and empowering them to receive one of God's greatest gifts, the sacraments. Below is information about our program and guidance on how to enroll.

SCHEDULE – enclosed

1. All Grades meet on Wednesdays. First class is September 20
 - Grades 1-5 meet from **5:00 until 6:15 PM.**
 - Grades 6-11 meet from **6:45 to 8:00 PM.**
2. Special classes are scheduled on Sunday for all students who will be receiving a sacrament this year.

ON-LINE REGISTRATION,

Please register “**online**” using our website at holy3.org or go to

<https://www.wesharegiving.org/App/Form/e9cb73d3-ac97-42f9-84d3-bbf8e69c6c4f> Please submit your online registration **prior to August 1.**

TUITION

- **Tuition Fee** - First and second child enrolled is \$60 each. Third child enrolled is \$50 with a max of \$170 per family.
- **Confirmation Fee** – The retreat cost is \$50. It can be paid when registering or any time before January 1, 2024.

All families are eligible to participate in the scrip program (purchasing of gift cards). Money you earn from the program can be used to help offset Religious Education tuition fees and registration cost for youth ministry events. It's a great program! Contact me if you would like to learn more about it.

YOUTH LIABILITY FORM - enclosed

The liability form must be completed for each student. It is important to complete and return the **two-sided** liability form before or on the first day of class.

ATTENDANCE IS ESSENTIAL

It is essential to have your child at Mass and in attendance for class to properly prepare and receive the sacraments. Please make all efforts in getting your child to class and be open to makeup should their catechist request it.

INVOLVEMENT

Volunteers are always needed and a huge asset to the success of our program. Please consider being a part of our team as a:

1. Chaperone for field trips.
2. Catechist or assistant in the classroom.
3. Help during class time but not in the classroom.
4. Help prepare a light breakfast when classes meet after Sunday morning Mass.
5. Join the Total Board of Education. The Board members are advisors for our Religious Education & Youth Ministry Programs. Meetings are currently held in the evening on the second Tuesday of each month.

The completion of a Virtus Adult Awareness Training and background check are required by all adult volunteers who have contact with children. Once completed, yearly Virtus recertifications are required. If you are interested in getting involved, please reach out to me to get started.

We are all designed to know and be known by our Creator. Without Him, there will always be a significant or unfillable void in our soul. We are not enough on our own, so as your child continues their spiritual journey, please offer them encouragement and support. You are the primary provider, and how you express your love of God is vital. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Blessings,



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