

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to a new and different year of Faith Formation at St. Joseph and St. Peter. It is our responsibility and yours, as parents, to help your child deepen their understanding of our Catholic faith and strengthen their relationship with God. Parents and families are our children's first and best teachers; your child learns the most from your example when you pray together and actively participate in the Mass and the Sacraments as a family. We are here to support and supplement your efforts.

Our catechist team looks forward to a productive and grace-filled year with our students, *Growing Together in Christ*.

This year we are taking registrations until October 5. Attached is an application for you to fill out and send or bring personally during office hours, Monday through Friday from 9 to 1 in the afternoon.

The cost is \$30.00 per student. Please note that payment is allowed by cash or cheque only.

When the books arrive, you will be called or emailed to pick them up at the office. The study will be at home based, there will be no classes in the parish.

For Second year First Communion students, you will be kept informed of reconciliation and dates of communion in the future.

Schedule

October 2020 - May 2021

Sacramental Requirements

Preparation for First Communion is a two consecutive-year program. Your child must participate both years with completion of classwork. Registration deadline September 27th, 2020.

Preparation for Confirmation is a one-year program. Students must be at least 14 years of age and have already received the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion.

No Confirmation Class this year.

****Birth Certificates, Baptismal Certificates, and First Communion Certificates are required for all students preparing to receive sacraments. Please submit to the office ASAP.***

Parent Guidelines

To create an effective partnership between the St. Joseph and St. Peter Faith Formation team and the families we serve, we ask for your assistance with the following:

- a. Ensure that your child completes their lessons every Sunday, we collect workbooks at the end of the year to confirm completion and review their online work and participation.
- b. Communicate with the Office regarding any special needs and assistance should be address promptly.
- c. Be active in your child's learning: ask them questions about their lessons, help them memorize their prayers, assist with their lessons where needed.
- d. Attend and participate on Sunday and Holy Day liturgies with your child.
- e. Actively read, and respond when necessary, to all communication from Catechists and Administrators
- f. Be an example of faith to inspire your child

Please feel free to contact the office if you have any questions,
Call (360) 354-2334 or email info@stjoseph-stpeter.org

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