

## Attendance

Religious education is important to your child's development and we consider it fundamental to the realization of their spiritual and personal potential. Therefore, attendance is very important and will be taken in all classes. Students are expected to come to all classes and to be there on time each week.

Homework will be assigned in most grades. We meet only one hour per week and homework helps to reinforce the current lesson.

We strongly encourage attending Religious Education classes continuously from Pre-School through twelfth Grade. Support from the family is vital in the development of the whole child.

## Sacraments

Sacramental preparation is a 2-year commitment and class attendance is mandatory. Students receive First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade; Confirmation is received in the 9<sup>th</sup> Grade.

If your child misses more than three classes, his/her reception of the sacraments will be put in jeopardy and a meeting will need to be scheduled with the Pastoral Associate. Any lessons that have been missed must be made up.

There are three parents' meetings for 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade parents and one for 9<sup>th</sup> Grade parents Confirmation.

## Class

Classes for Pre-K through 9<sup>th</sup> Grade are held Wednesday evenings from 6:30 - 7:45 pm. A variety of Adult Education classes is offered at the same time for the convenience of parents and parishioners.

Teens for Christ (Grades 9 - 12) meet Sunday evenings from 7 - 8:30 pm in the Teen Room.

## Discipline

The 3 Commandments of Classroom Behavior are:

1. Respect your Teacher.
2. Respect each other.
3. Respect the Church and school property.

## Worship and Service Hours

Our Catholic Faith is not only something that is studied and learned; it is something that should be lived. Therefore, all students are expected to participate in Worship Hours during the year (i.e. May Procession, Eucharistic Adoration, Stations of the Cross, Altar Server, Choir, saying the Rosary, reading Bible stories, bedtime prayers, etc.)

All students are also expected to participate in Service Hours. Some examples are: making sandwiches for the homeless, sending cards to new parishioners, nursing home, sick of the parish, Children's Stewardship.

Your child's catechist will talk to the children about Worship and Service hours. Your suggestions are welcome.



## Note to Parents

We encourage parents to be involved with our classes and with reinforcing the lessons and prayers at home. Parents are always invited to visit the classrooms and participate in youth group activities. Your ideas, suggestions, and help are always welcome. We have a wonderful opportunity to help our children prepare for the future by giving them a solid foundation upon which they can build their lives. Our time and efforts are devoted freely to the children and families of our parish out of love and respect for God and His children and commitment to our Faith.

We look forward to your continuing support throughout your child's religious education.

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Parent Handbook