

March 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I would like to take a moment to thank you all for your support, patience and help during this past year. Special thanks to our Catechist, Aides and Hall Monitors who lead by example and came into the building every week to share their faith with our children. Additionally, thanks to all the parents that took the challenge to home-school your children during this pandemic. It has been an interesting year to say the very least, but we managed to rise to the occasion and continue our faith journey. Having said that, preparation for next year has already begun. To make registration more convenient for our families we have enclosed the registration form. Please fill it out and return to us with fee by mail, bringing it in during CCD in-house time or dropping it in the mailbox outside the Religious Education Office. If you return it during the first week of registration (March 21st – March 27th) **you may deduct 10% for early registration.**

Fees are waived for all Catechists and Aides.

Please remember:

- You **must register** your child/children **annually**.
- This registration is for **PreK- 8th Grade ONLY**.
- **NINTH GRADE (Confirmation)** is a separate registration.
- **First Time Registration Forms** for new child/children entering the program are in the office or on our parish website.
- A *Certificate of Baptism* for all **NEW** registrants is **required at this time**. (Please bring the original or a copy).

Additional items I would like to mention about registration. The **first** is our class schedule is: Sunday, 9:30 to 10:45AM (Grades Pre-K through 8th), Tuesday afternoon, 4:15 – 5:30PM (Grades Kind. Through 6th) and Tuesday evening, 7:15- 8:30PM (Grades 7th & 8th). **Second**, for some time now, we have had a very difficult time finding volunteers to teach these classes. This year we consolidated some classes, had volunteer high school seniors teach and even had to eliminate certain classes on certain days because of lack of catechist. **If we can not get the volunteers to teach on the days offered, you may be asked to switch your child to either Sunday or Tuesday.** I hope to avoid this but, I thought it was important for you to know. **Third, we will be limiting our classes to no more than 15 students, so PLEASE if you want a certain day for your child, register EARLY!** **Fourth**, costs of registration will be the same as last year; **\$110.00 for one child, \$140.00 for two children, and \$175.00 for three or more children.** Again, there will be a 10% discount if you pay during this first week of registration and *fees are waived for Catechists and Aides.*

We ask that you please register **as soon as possible**. It is important that we know how many students to expect so we can order the correct number of books and materials and avoid additional shipping costs for re-orders. There will be a late fee of **\$25.00** if you

register after **May 31st, 2022**. If you are having financial difficulties, please fill-out the registration form and speak to me directly.

Thank you again for all you have done to help your children grow in their faith and understanding of the love of God. As always, if you have any questions or concerns about anything, I am available for you and your children. Once again, I am looking forward to yet another amazing year of Religious Education!

Thank You and God Bless You,

Deacon Bruce Olsen
Coordinator of Religious Education