

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Dear Parents and Guardians:



Hope you are enjoying the summer. Registration is now open for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Sessions will begin on September 19 and 21.

You may mail your registration form to the church, e-mail it, or drop it in the offering basket, marked to my attention. If neither Tuesday nor Thursday work for you, there is also a space on the registration form to write in a day and/or time that you would prefer. If enough people (6 - 8) request a day, we will make every effort to accommodate you. In addition, depending on the enrollment numbers, we may have Catechesis on just one evening per week this year. Please spread the news about the wonderful program we have here for 3- to 12-year olds.

7th – 12th graders meet once a month. 7th and 8th graders meet from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m. and 9th – 12th graders meet from 4 to 6 p.m. Please see the monthly calendar and parish bulletin for dates.

WE BELIEVE:

- That God and the child have a unique relationship with one another, particularly before the age of six.
- That the growth of this relationship should be assisted by the adult, but is directed by the Spirit of God within the child.
- That children need their own place to foster the growth of that relationship.
- That the child's spiritual growth is best served through tangible but indirect means.

As in previous years, parents are most welcome to come and visit the Atrium. The Religion Center is open Monday – Thursday from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Simply call and let me know when you're coming. I hope you will stop by to view the beautiful atria that have been prepared for the children.

Please remember that the Diocese of Greensburg strongly recommends 2 years of faith formation in order to receive the Sacraments. If you have a child entering first grade in September, he or she needs to be enrolled in faith formation. Second grade students eligible to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Eucharist have been mailed the preparation schedule, which begins in October.

If you have any questions, or if I can be of assistance to you, please don't hesitate to contact me. May the rest of your summer continue to be safe and filled with His peace.

Sincerely in Christ,

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Registration 2017 - 2018

St. Mary Religion Center

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Please note that tuition for the year is \$50 for the first child and \$10 for the next child up to a maximum of \$70. If you need to break this into payments, if you need assistance, or if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me. Checks should be made payable to "Saint Mary Church." **Please be sure to include your e-mail address. I need them for important announcements such as cancellations or early dismissals.**

Level I: 3-6 Year Old

TUESDAY

10:30 – 12:30 _____

5:00-7:00: _____

THURSDAY

5:00 – 7:00: _____

Level II: 6-9 Year Old

5:00-7:00 _____

5:00-7:00 _____

Level III: 9 – 12 Year Old

5:00 – 7:00 _____

5:00 – 7:00 _____

OR

I prefer another: Day: _____ Time: _____ for Level _____

(If enough requests are received, a session may be scheduled.)

Parents' Names _____

Child's Name _____ Email Address _____

Date of birth _____ Grade (entering Fall of 2017): _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ Telephone _____

Any Allergies/Problems _____

Parish _____ School _____

In an emergency, please contact: _____ at _____

Siblings

Name: _____ D.O.B. _____ Grade _____

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