

**SAINT MARY OF THE ANNUNCIATION
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM
SESSION INFORMATION
2021-2022**

Tuition and Fees for the 2021-2022 Term: Please note a min. payment of \$50 is required at the time of registration.

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| \$190.00 | 1 child |
| \$290.00 | 2 children |
| \$370.00 | 3 children |
| \$400.00 + \$40.00 each | 4 or more children |
| \$ 35.00 per child | Books/Supplies |
| \$ 30.00 | 6 th grade Bible |
| \$ 50.00 | Sacrament Fee – First Reconciliation/First Communion (Per Candidate) |
| \$ 50.00 | Sacrament Fee – Confirmation (Per Candidate) |

New and Returning Families:

Please thoroughly complete ALL the attached forms and return with payment (minimum payment of \$50 is required with registration forms). Include a copy of Baptism certificate if not already on file.

SCHOOL YEAR Sessions:

Tuesdays 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm **grades KINDERGARTEN – 6**

Tuesdays 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm **grades 7 & 8 - MUST** attend 15 of the 20 sessions (See Attached)

Please note that Saturday sessions are no longer available due to low enrollment

Family Catechesis: 10:45 am – 12:30 pm families meet together one Sunday a month. Interactive sessions are completed at home during the course of the month, grades K-8. Please note: Children in sacrament grades (2nd & 8th) who participate in Family Catechesis will be required to attend further sacrament preparation sessions before the reception of a sacrament.

Family Catechesis *“indeed, family catechesis precedes...accomplishes and enriches all forms of catechesis.”* (GDC,226)

This option is based on family learning and faith sharing. There are interactive sessions, designed to be used at home, along with the children’s text books. This unique program allows children of all ages to learn on their own levels, yet discuss, pray and complete activities together with the whole family. The Sunday sessions would then gather all families involved in this program to do activities, share prayer and focus on the liturgical year. Families are able to lead prayer, organize activities and host refreshments.

SUMMER Session: 1st – 8th grade, ***Kindergarten is NOT*** offered during the summer

The summer session will take place from **July 12 – July 23.**

1st – 8th grade classes meet M-F from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Children in sacrament grades (2nd & 8th) who attend the summer session will be required to attend further sacrament preparation sessions during the fall and winter prior to the reception of a sacrament.

Due to the popularity of this session and limited space in the school, registration will be limited to actively participating parishioners who have been registered with St. Mary for one year.

The Summer Session will be chosen by lottery and to be considered, Registration Forms must be returned by the end of the workday (4:30 p.m.) February 21, 2020. It is not a first-come; first-served system. All registration forms will have the same consideration and randomly chosen.

When registering, please indicate a 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice. If your 1st choice is filled, you will automatically be given your 2nd choice, etc. We will do our best to accommodate all families

7th & 8th Grade Religious Education Format

Saint Mary's is excited to offer a different model of faith formation for 7th & 8th Graders. During their 7th & 8th Grade years of faith formation, the students in these grades will meet together in Diantha Hall on Tuesday evenings throughout the school year.

These Tuesday night sessions will consist of games/team building activities, talks, and small group discussions led by the adult catechists and peer ministers. This model for 7th/8th Grade Faith Formation will provide a more engaging and dynamic method of learning the faith in comparison to the traditional classroom model. The 7th/8th Graders will be able to see the faith alive in their peers and will hopefully take that enthusiasm for the faith into their daily lives.

There will be approximately 20 Tuesday evening sessions offered during the school year. **Each 7th/8th Grader** must attend a minimum of 15 of these sessions during the 2020-2021 school year.

Each session will be held on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm in Diantha Hall:
****Dates below are tentative and could change prior to the start of the year****

| 2020 | | 2021 | |
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| September | 14, 28 | January | 11, 18, 25 |
| October | 5, 12, 26 | February | 1, 8, 22 |
| November | 9, 16, 30 | March | 1, 8, 29 |
| December | 7, 14 | April | 12 |

All 7th/8th Graders are invited to Diantha Hall at 5:30pm for open gym preceding each evening session.

There will be many service opportunities offered throughout the school year. **Each 7th Grader** is expected to accomplish 10 service hours. **Each 8th Grader** is expected to accomplish 20 service hours preceding Confirmation. Attending any of the following service events would count toward your hours.

| Service Project Opportunities | |
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| August | Country Fest Volunteering |
| October | Youth Ministry Pumpkin Sales |
| December | Christmas gifts to our sharing parish |
| March | Saint Vincent DePaul Pasta Party & Setup |
| April | Parish Easter Egg Hunt |
| | Youth Ministry Bake Sale |
| May | Youth Ministry Car Wash |
| June | Vacation Bible School Volunteer |
| October-April | Making lunches and beds for PADS at St. Mary during REP nights |
| Anytime | Feed My Starving Children |

Each 7th grader must also attend the mandatory 7th Grade Retreat, and 8th Graders the **mandatory** Confirmation retreat. Dates listed on calendar page.

This 7th & 8th Grade faith formation offers more flexibility for each family. You do not need to RSVP ahead of time for each session. Simply show up and sign in at each session. As long as you attend **at least 15 sessions** and complete service hour requirements over the course of the year. Any student can certainly attend more than 15 sessions.

If you have any questions in regard to this new format, please feel free to contact us.

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