

OUR LADY of the MAGNIFICAT CHURCH

Spring, 2021

Dear Religious Education and Confirmation Parent:

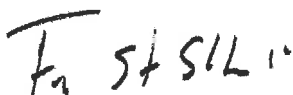
I wanted to write to you as part of the registration process for the 2021-2022 school year to share information about a pricing increase that we will institute this year.

The Covid-19 pandemic has affected all of us in many different ways. Fortunately, in person Mass participation was opened up in July, 2020. We are currently running at about 50% attendance for our weekly celebrations. In order to provide quality real-time viewing of Masses, we invested in an online streaming system, which has proven to be a useful resource for those who cannot attend Mass in-person. Throughout this timeframe, the Parish has kept all employees on the payroll, albeit some at reduced hours, particularly during the height of the pandemic last year. Our Religious Education staff, Mary Ramsden, Andrea Duplain and Grace Davin – all paid employees of OLM - have worked tirelessly to develop and implement an At-Home Learning program for your children that has proven to be effective and popular.

While we will continue to provide a quality religious education for your children, we need to cover the salaries of those delivering that education. This will not fully covering the expenses of the program, but the Parish can continue to supplement the portion that remains – Thank God!

Please know you are and your families are always in my prayers and together we will be back to normal in due course.

Yours in Christ,



Fr. Steven Shadwell
Pastor