

Mary, Mother of Divine Grace Parish

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Welcome Letter from Sr. Christine!

Welcome to the Religious Education Program at Mary, Mother of Divine Grace Parish; serving the Catholic Communities of Divine Infant Jesus and Divine Providence in Westchester, IL. We thank God for blessing us with the opportunity of continuing to nurture the faith of all of our children, during this time of great challenge due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Our Religious Education Program has basically been operating On-line this year; with the Lessons of Faith offered via the Zoom Platform for grades 1 – 8. We are grateful to the Parents, the Teachers/Catechists and the Students for working together to make this year successful, with the help of the never-failing grace of our God.

As this year is getting to an end, we would like to share with you the tentative plan for next year (2021 – 2022). Below are the directives for that plan:

1. Mary, Mother of Divine Grace Parish will continue to offer Religious Education Classes for Grades 1 – 8 for the year 2021 – 2022 beginning on September 13, 2021.
2. The Archdiocese of Chicago, through the Office of Lifelong Formation has given us a green light, to offer RE Classes In-Person for the year 2021-2022; with full observance of specific COVID-19 restrictions meant to keep our Students, Catechists, Aides and Office Staff safe and healthy. Further guidelines will be provided to us, as we progress through the Summer, according to the status of public health from the State of Illinois.
3. Two Registration forms for NEW and RETURNING Students are available at our Parish website; www.marymotherofdivinegrace.org under the Religious Education Tab. posted on April 15, 2021. The deadline for Registration for the RE Year 2021 – 2022 is August 15, 2021.
4. Completed Registration Forms should be mailed or dropped off at the Rectory of either Divine Infant or Divine Providence locations Monday-Friday between 8:30am - 5pm. There is a deposit of \$40 per family due at the time of registration.
5. The Tuition for grades 1- 8 and the Sacramental Fees are as follows:
(Please choose a payment option at the last page of the Registration Form)
Tuition for 2021 – 2022
 - \$250 for 1 child
 - \$350 for 2 children
 - \$450 for 3 children or more

The Sacramental Fee for 2021-2022:

(Please choose a payment option at the last page of the Registration Form)

\$50 for Holy Eucharist (First Communion)

\$80 for Confirmation

6. **RE Tuition/Fees Payment Options:**

The **Registration Fee of \$40** is due when you register your child(ren), and is part of the total amount. The rest of the Tuition/Fees should be paid following one of the listed payment options at the back of each Registration Form. Please choose an option and send **Checks, Money Orders or pay by Credit Card** following the instructions given on that page. All payments must be received **NO LATER** than **DECEMBER 1, 2021!** Thank you!

I invite you to partner with us as we strive to enhance the faith formation of our students; helping them to become what God intended them to be in life. May the Holy Spirit enlighten us and guide us in the proper ways of accomplishing this task.

Thank you and may God continue to bless you and your family!

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