

HOLY FAMILY FAITH FORMATION 2020-2021

Dear Families,

We hope this letter finds you all well. It's hard to believe it's been almost six months since we've been able to hold classes and see everyone. You have all been missed--the parish center has been very quiet.

This letter is to explain what Faith Formation is going to look like this year. Since we are still living with Covid and want to limit our gatherings, in order to keep everyone safe, here is what our program is going to look like:

- Students in grades 2 and 9 will be meeting in person each week. Since these are Sacramental years, we thought it was important to have their classes in person. As in the past, 2nd grade will meet on Saturdays from 9:45-10:45 and 9th grade will meet on Sundays from 11:45-12:45. We will have all COVID safeguards in place, but if you are uncomfortable or unable to send your child to class, please let us know so we can make other arrangements.
- The 9th grade Confirmation class will be using The Chosen program, and their registration will include a digital pack in the event that we need to go fully remote at some point throughout the year.
- All students in grades 1-8 will still be using the Faith and Life series that we have been using but it will be done online in a flipped classroom format. Students will not have books but the content will be delivered via email each week. From there they can listen to or read the chapter, watch the videos, play games and take the quizzes at a time that's convenient for you as a family. Your child should be able to do most of this on their own, but we highly recommend you sit with them or at least have the volume up to hear what they are learning so you can discuss it as a family.
- Students in grades 1, and 3-8 will be meeting (virtually) with their teachers to have discussions on the lessons.
- We really want to use this year as a time of growth and healing for everyone. As a parish family, we want to be a resource for you as well. Throughout the year, we will be providing various opportunities for your family to grow in your faith and become involved in various service

opportunities (socially distanced of course). Please know if you need anything, we are here to help you in any way we can.

- Fees for Faith Formation this year will be \$40 per child with a \$100 cap per family. If cost is an issue, please let us know. Forms and payment can be dropped off at the parish center during the week or they can be left in the mailbox outside of the parish center at any time. **DO NOT LEAVE CASH PAYMENTS IN THE MAILBOX.**
- Please complete the registration form and return it with your payment by Friday, September 25th.
- We will be in touch regarding parent meetings to have a more in-depth discussion on the program and to answer any questions you may have.
- Classes will begin the weekend of October 3rd.
- There will be parent meetings in the very near future to discuss the details and answer any questions you may have.

We are looking forward to working with you this year. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

We can be reached by email at: dre@holyfamilytaunton.org or by phone (508) 824-3578.

God Bless,

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