

RE 2020-2021

Dear Parents:

Religious Education (RE) classes begin **October 4-5**.

COMPLETING REGISTRATION - Online only at <https://www.elcatholics.org/religious-education-program>

1. **Email** is the way we will send newsletters and classroom communications; please make sure your email address is correct.
2. Update your Parish information at <https://elcatholics.org/parishioner-update-form>
3. **Cell phone numbers** needed for REMIND app used for emergency situations: (snowstorms, power outages, etc.) I will send you an email inviting you to download on your phone.
4. Register for the class session you prefer.
5. Credit card/Debit card for registration payment. Contact me if you need a payment plan.

Keep in mind, sometimes class sessions must be closed, enrollment is on a first come basis. For this reason the sooner you enroll the better. **NOTE: If a child (pre-8) is not registered by September 11th we will not expect them at the first session. We need that time to request items from the publisher.**

CLASS SCHEDULE: PRESCHOOL - GRADE 8

All classes held in St. Thomas Aquinas School

Sunday - 8:05am - 8:55am (***NEW TIME so it doesn't interfere with 9:00am Mass**)
10:05am - 10:55am
4:30pm - 5:30pm

Monday - 4:30pm - 5:30pm

It is always possible that some sessions or grade levels will not be viable because too few students or conversely too many have enrolled, or no teacher is available. Please register as soon as possible so we can plan and recruit wisely. **We offer online sessions for grades 1-8.**

TUITION - It is helpful if you pay at time of registration. **Sac prep students will need to pay \$25.00 fee** for their extra materials/events. Use the separate payment button to pay that fee after registering your child.

If the fees present financial hardship, register and send your child to class, **but contact me**. We can work out payment arrangements or tuition assistance.

COMMUNICATION - You should provide an email address and it will be used to send class updates from their teacher or me. We also have a Facebook page: East Lansing Catholic Faith Formation.

ADDITIONAL FORMS - Fill out one copy of the Health/Emergency and the Permission and Media forms for each child you are enrolling. We need your support to make our program run; if there is any possibility that you could serve as a catechist, aide, occasional substitute, or office volunteer please complete and return the Parent Volunteer Form.

Your registration will be confirmed with an email containing further information about the program. To review, here is what we need:

1. Registration form **for each child.**
2. Media Release/Permission/Communications **for each child.**
3. Health/Emergency Form **for each child.** (If child was previously registered and info has not changed, we can use the form from last year)
4. Volunteer Form, **one per family.**
5. Tuition and fee payment. ***Sac Prep needs \$25.00 also.**
6. Update Parish information.

REGISTRATION FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY SEPTEMBER 11TH to avoid not starting the first class.

As always feel free to contact us anytime with your questions, concerns or suggestions. Passing on the message of Christ is the work of the Parish; it can't happen without volunteers. Prayerfully consider becoming involved in this important and rewarding ministry.

God Bless you and your family!

Sincerely,

Debbie Lewis

Director of Religious Education