

SAINT MICHAEL'S CHURCH

August 17, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians

Religious education is important for all of us. Your child will look to you for their development and cooperation and they will look to the Parish for organized instruction and a deeper sharing of our Catholic Faith. All of us must do what we can to see that our sharing and caring the love of God has for each of us is the message which we give to the children.

The religious education staff is composed of people who take time from both their family and their own pursuits to assist in the handing down of our faith. We would ask of you, the parents and guardians, to support us in your family prayers and participate in the liturgical and special events of the Parish.

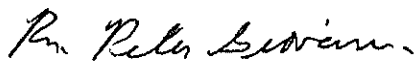
To assist us further in teaching your child, we are using the religious education resources found on the Augustine Institute www.formed.org website. Additional resources will be provided in the classroom. The Archdiocese of Washington curriculum for Faith Formation of Children, grades K – 8 will also be part of the classroom Instruction.

Family and students should report to the school gym for prayer and announcements. We request that all students use their own face covering to prevent the spread of virus. Attendance is important to your child's learning experience. Students must not be absent for more than 5 weeks during the year. We strive to maintain classroom settings that are instructive as well as comfortable for all students. The first class is Sunday September 12, 2021 from 9:15 – 10:15am.

When inclement weather is forecast for the weekend, please go online to the St. Mary's County Public Schools' website. When the notice is given that weekend activities are cancelled, the Sunday Religious Education classes will be cancelled.

Enclosed with the letter is a registration form to be completed for each child and returned at the beginning of class on September 12, 2021, along with the payment of \$30 for each child. The schedule of classes for the year 2021 – 2022 and our Religious Education Behavior Policy and a list of additional online resources are also included.

Sincerely in Christ,


Rev Peter Giovanoni
Pastor


Deacon James Dominic
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ST. MICHAEL'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION			
SCHOOL YEAR 2021 - 2022			
NAME: LAST, FIRST, M	GRADE	PARISH	
Age as of September 01, 2021:	SEX:	PHONE:	
STREET ADDRESS:	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
E-MAIL ADDRESS:			
PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME #1:	RELATIONSHIP		RELIGION
PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME #2:	RELATIONSHIP		RELIGION
MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:			
EMERGENCY CONTACT (NAME AND PHONE NUMBER):			
STUDENT LIVES WITH: () BOTH PARENTS () MOTHER () FATHER () OTHER			
HOW OFTEN DO YOU ATTEND MASS: () WEEKLY () MONTHLY () RARELY () DO NOT ATTEND			
PREVIOUS GRADES ATTENDED AT ST. MICHAEL'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:			
() K () 1 () 2 () 3 () 4 () 5 () 6 () 7			
DATE	CHURCH	CITY	STATE ZIP CODE
BAPTISM:			
FIRST PENANCE:			
FIRST COMMUNION:			
MEDICAL AND/OR SPECIAL LEARNING CONDITIONS:			
Tuition is \$30 Per child in grades K - 8. Copy of the baptismal certificate is required for all children not baptized at St. Michael's Parish who are receiving the Sacraments of First Penance, First Communion and Confirmation.			
Tuition payment: circle one: CASH CHECK DATE PAID:			

St. Michael's Parish

Religious Education Class Schedule 2021 - 2022

	Date	Time	Notes
AUGUST/SEPTEMBER			
Meeting of Teachers with Pastor	August 22, 2021	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's Church Sacristy
Regular Classes	September 12, 2021	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
Commissioning of Catechists	September 19, 2021	10:30am Mass	St. Michael's Church
Regular Classes	September 19, 2021	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
Regular Classes	September 26, 2021	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
OCTOBER			Child Protection/Safe Env Class
Regular Classes	October 3, 2021	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
Mtg with Parents of First Communion Class	October 6, 2021	6:00pm	St. Michael's Church
Mtg with Parents of Confirmation Class	October 6, 2021	6:30pm	St. Michael's Church
Regular Classes	October 10, 2021	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
Commitment Sunday for Confirmation Class	October 17, 2021	All Masses	St. Michael's/St Cecilia Church
Regular Classes	October 17, 2021	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
Regular Classes	October 24, 2021	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
Regular Classes	October 31, 2021	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
November			Liturgy/Adoration Class
Regular Classes	November 7, 2021	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
Regular Classes	November 14, 2021	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
Regular Classes	November 21, 2021	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
No Classes	November 28, 2021		Thanksgiving Holiday
December			
Regular Classes	December 5, 2021	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
Immaculate Conception	December 8, 2021		Holiday Of Obligation
Regular Classes	December 12, 2021	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
Regular Classes	December 19, 2021	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
Christmas Day	December 25, 2021		Holiday Of Obligation
No Classes	December 26, 2021		Christmas Holiday

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Month	Class	Date	Time	Location
JANUARY	Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God	January 1, 2022		Holiday Of Obligation
	No Classes	January 2, 2022		New Year's Day Holiday
	Regular Classes	January 9, 2022	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
	No Classes	January 16, 2022		MLK Holiday
	Regular Classes	January 23, 2022	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
	Regular Classes	January 30, 2022	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
FEBRUARY	Regular Classes	February 6, 2022	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
	Regular Classes	February 13, 2022	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
	No Classes	February 20, 2022		Presidents Day Holiday
	First Pennance and Retreat	February 26, 2022	8:00am - Noon	St. Michael's School/Church
	Regular Classes	February 27, 2022	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
	MARCH	Ash Wednesday	March 2, 2022	
Regular Classes		March 6, 2022	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
Regular Classes		March 13, 2022	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
Regular Classes		March 20, 2022	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
Regular Classes		March 27, 2022	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
APRIL		Regular Classes	April 3, 2022	9:15am - 10:15am
	No Classes	April 10, 2022		Palm Sunday
	No Classes	April 17, 2022		Easter Sunday
	Regular Classes	April 24, 2022	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
MAY	Regular Classes	May 1, 2022	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
	First Communion Mass	May 7, 2022	10:00am	St. Michael's Church
	Regular Classes	May 8, 2022	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School
	Last Day of Classes	May 15, 2022	9:15am - 10:15am	St. Michael's School

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Saint Michael's Parish Religious Education Behavior Policy

In order to create a climate where students can learn and enjoy their time in the religious education classes, certain rules are necessary. Our goal in setting these standards is to help the students develop a sense of self-discipline and responsibility for themselves and others.

Behavior standards are as follows:

- (1) Students are expected to participate in classroom discussion, prayer and activities as determined by their catechist or other person in charge. Disruptive students will be sent to the Religious Education Office.
- (2) All students as young Christians are expected to show respect for all catechists, visitors to the classroom, Religious Education staff and other students.
- (3) Students are expected to show respect for school property, this not leaving trash on the floor or grounds, graffiti on tables/chairs in the classroom. Damage to classroom property must be replaced by the student.
- (4) Students should bring their textbooks to class each week. DO NOT bring cell phones, Ipods/MP3, video games, etc. Phones, music and gaming devices will be held by the Catechist/Religious Education Coordinator until the end of class.
- (5) Should the student fail to comply with the above expectations and his/her behavior disrupts the education process for themselves and others, the following actions will be taken:

A verbal warning will be given to the student

If the student's behavior does not improve and he/she continues to be disruptive, the child may be sent out of the classroom to the Religious Education Office. Parents will be notified.

If necessary, a meeting between parents, CRE and student will be arranged to discuss the child's continuation in the program. Parents may be asked to consider an alternative to classroom instruction.

Religious Education Attendance Policy

Students are expected to attend each and every class (except due to illness or family emergency).

Students should be in class at the appointed time. Family and students should report first to the school gym for prayer and announcements. Students arriving late are disruptive to the learning process not only for themselves but for their classmates as well.

Children in the Sacramental Preparation classes (2nd Grade – First Penance/First Communion and 7th/8th Grades – Confirmation) must not be absent for more than 3 weeks during the year and must attend the Retreat when scheduled.