Dear Parishioners,

I am sending this letter to you to welcome you to the upcoming 2018 – 2019 school year. Today, more than ever we have become aware that new technologies are changing our culture and creating a place where people are living. As the leaders of the church, we want to be where you are to assist you to form your children in the gift of our faith. We believe that faith is formed when there is a substantial investment of thought, time, and intimacy by parents. We believe that God dwells in every family and that family life is sacred, and we believe that parents are the most important religious influence on their children. It is our responsibility as a church to support, collaborate and to encourage you to share the “Good News” as an expression and focus of the Church’s mission and evangelization. For evangelization to be effective and fruitful, it must be ever “new”. It is with great joy, that I want to invite you to engage and to support in the new lifelong process of faith formation we will be implementing at St. Luke Catholic Church.

Beginning next school year (2018-19), St. Luke Catholic Church will transition to the Family Faith Formation Process for all students enrolled in grades 1 through 7. Family Faith Formation is an active process that will allow the parents to experience community in the parish, find support among other Catholic parents, and learn, experience, and grow in their own faith along with their children in response to God’s presence, grace, and love.

Family Faith Formation will consist of:

- Online religious education classes using My Catholic Faith Delivered
- In-class meetings with children every 8 weeks and parent sessions at the same time
- Quarterly Family Faith Learning Sessions
- Weekly Mass Attendance
- Church Service Activities including Parish Mission
- Participation in Sacraments
- Attendance at Diocesan Eucharistic Congress.

All Sacramental preparation classes (Confirmation, First Reconciliation, and First Eucharist) will continue being taught in the traditional classroom setting, but will include and expect more parent involvement with active participation in the programs of Sacramental preparation.

Registration for Family Faith Formation Process and the Sacrament programs will open this summer, and students will be required to begin classes no later than September 10th, 2018. We are very excited to offer this new learning platform to all families of St. Luke Catholic Church.

With Prayers,
Father Andy Blaszkowski

For more information please see the St. Luke website (stlukesparish.org)

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