



St. Patrick Church

May, 2017

Dear St. Patrick Religious Education Families,

Registration forms for the 2017-2018 school year are ready! You may visit our website at www.stpatrickmchenry.org/religious-education to print your registration materials. Please print **ALL** the forms, complete the information, and return to the RE office with payment. Please note that a Medical Release form will need to be completed for **each** child in your family. The Sacramental Record form will only need to be completed for children new to our program.

Tuition fees will remain the same this year. We are conscious of the state of the economy and we do not want to put any added burden on our families at this time. If you cannot pay tuition in full, due to circumstances beyond your control, please send what you can with your registration and we can work out a payment plan.

If you owe tuition money from last year, we cannot accept your registration for the fall until you have a conversation with me. While no child will be turned away for inability to pay, it is your responsibility to notify us of such circumstances. If you need to make payment arrangements please call the RE Office to discuss options.

We are able to accept credit card payments for tuition. If you wish to pay by this method please utilize the "Give Central" option on the St. Patrick website.

Please remember that signing your child up for RE classes is not just another activity in their life. You are signing them up for religious formation and it should take priority over other activities. Missing multiple classes, starting late or leaving early is difficult for the student and the teacher. In the past we have had many conflicts with scouts, sports, etc. being on the same night. Please register for the day that will best suit your schedule.

While you do have the option to sign up for either session please note that we are limiting class sizes for each grade at **each session. Therefore class assignments will be made on a first come first serve basis.** As soon as a session is full it will be closed. For example, if Sunday morning first grade fills up, families will only have the option of Wednesday evening first grade. We are limiting class sizes in order to keep the two sessions somewhat equal in size.

Once you decide on a session you must stay there for the entire year. If a child misses 7 or more classes, he/she will not have received enough instruction to pass to the next level.

For planning purposes, the first day for RE Classes will be as follows:

Sunday Morning, Kindergarten thru Grade 8 (<i>10am-11am</i>)	September 10, 2017
Wednesday Evening Grades 1-8 (<i>5:45pm-7pm</i>)	September 13, 2017

Sacrament registration forms will be mailed at a later date to all families that have students making their First Reconciliation/First Eucharist and Confirmation. Confirmation formation classes are in addition to regularly scheduled RE classes and are typically held on Sundays after the 11 a.m. Mass.

If you are interested in volunteering please let the RE Office know or, if you have any questions, please feel free to call the RE office at 815-385-2959.

Peace,

Bonnie Curry
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