## 2025 - 2026

1st - 8th Gr.

Wednesday Class Times Session A: 4:45-6:00, Session B: 6:30-7:45

2nd Grade - Reconciliation / First Communion Important Dates

8th Grade - Confirmation Important Dates

### **Catechist Important Dates**

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## **Important Dates:**

#### **AUGUST**

23 Catechist Material Mtg - see notes. pg 2

#### **SEPTEMBER**

- 6 Catechist/ Aide Meeting: 10:00-12:00pm, see notes, pg 2
- 7 11:00am Family Mass followed by classroom visits and book pick up.
- 10 Classes Begin
- 21 Catechetical Sunday Blessing at 11:00am Mass
- 24 Confirmation Parent Meeting during class time.

#### **OCTOBER**

- 5 Confirmation Kickoff Event 7th & 8th Gr. Confirmation Candidates
- 22 2nd Gr. Sacramental Parent Mtg during class time
- 29 8th Grade- Sponsor Eligibility Form Due

#### **NOVEMBER**

- 19 8th Grade- Saint Report Due
- No Class Thanksgiving
- 30 Advent Afternoon Event 1-3:30pm. 8th Gr. Noon-4. see notes. pg. 2

#### **DECEMBER**

- 3 First Reconciliation & Hospitality w Parents during class time
- 10 RE Family Mass 6:00pm Attendance taken at 5:45 Parents & families are encouraged to ioin us.
- 17 RE Service Project during class time. led by Conf. Candidates
- No Class Christmas Break
- 31 No Class New Year's Week

#### **JANUARY**

- No Class Catechist Meeting
- 7 5:00-7:00pm Catechist & Aide Meeting Dinner Provided
- 21 RE Service Proiect during class time. led by Conf. Candidates
- 25 11:00 Mass Celebrating Catholic Education. Hospitality and Faith Fair
- 28 RE FAMILY Night / Open House see notes. pg. 2

#### **FEBRUARY**

- 4 & 11 Confirmation Interviews during class time
  - 7 First Eucharist Retreat WITH a Parent 2pm 5pm Mandatory
  - No Class Ash Wednesday 7:00pm Mass
  - 25 Lent Reconciliation Gr. 2-8 during class time
  - 25 Confirmation Service Project and Essays DUE

#### MARCH

- 4 Confirmation- Mass Journal Due
- 7 Confirmation Retreat 9:00am-5:00pm. Mandatory see pg. 2. notes
- 11 Confirmation Rehearsal during class time. See pg. 2 notes
- 14 Confirmation Noon
- 25 7th Grade Confirmation Assessment

#### **APRIL**

- No Class Holy Week
- 22 First Communion Rehearsal during class time
- 26 First Holv Communion 9 & 11:00 Mass sign up to follow
- 29 Family Liturgy & Blessing / Last Class / Treat

#### MAY

6 Catechist Appreciation Night - details to come

## Aug. 23rd Catechist & Aide Material Mtg.

Catechists & Aides- meet with Laura to review class materials: 9-9:30am 2nd Gr. Catechists 9:45-10:15am - 1st, 3rd & 5th Gr. Catechists 10:30-11am - 6th Gr. Catechists 11-11:30 - 7th Gr. Catechists 11:30-12pm - 8th Gr. Catechists

## Sept. 6th - All Catechist & Aide Meeting

10-12pm, Snacks provided - Catechist & Aide Training, Program Review - classroom, handbook, expectations, new program format, calendar & required Diocesan Training

#### Nov. 30th - Advent Afternoon

1pm- 3:30pm All Religious Education/ School/ Parish children (Kindergarten - 3rd grade) are encouraged to attend. This event includes games, activities & a light snack. The afternoon will be led by our 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation Candidates. (This event can be counted as 4 out of 10 required service hours for 7th & 8th graders)

#### Dec. 10 - ALL RE FAMILY MASS

NEW this Year: Students will NOT attend RE class at their regular classtimes. All students (from both sessions) will meet their Catechist in their designated spot in the church. Attendance at 5: 45pm. Mass begins at 6:00pm. Parents/ Families are encouraged to join us. After attendance is taken, students may choose to sit with their families or their class.

## Jan. 28 - Family Night / Open House

During your child's class time, parents and families are encouraged to join us to celebrate Catholic Education Week. Families will attend our prayer service, view our Faith Fair boards and enjoy light refreshments.

#### March 25 - 7th Grade Assessment

Assessment will be given during class time. Study guide will be provided March 4th.

## 2nd Grade Sacraments & Important Dates:

**10/22/25** - Sacramental Parent Meeting- Following drop off of your child(ren), proceed to Sebahar Hall to discuss details of upcoming Sacraments.

**12/3/25** First Reconciliation- 2nd grade students will participate in their First Reconciliation in the Church during their regular class time. Parents / families are encouraged to attend to provide support and are invited to participate in Reconciliation, as well. Hospitality with children and families following the service.

**2/7/2026** -First Eucharist Retreat with a Parent, 2-5:00pm, Mandatory

4/22/26 - First Communion Rehearsal- during class time

**4/26/26** - First Holy Communion will be recieved during 9 & 11:00 mass times. Sign up for preferred time coming soon.

## 8th Grade Confirmation Important Dates:

**9/24/25** - Parent Meeting - following drop off of your child (ren), proceed to Sebahar Hall.

10/5/25 - Confirmation Kick-Off Event for 7th & 8th grade - 11am- 2:30pm All 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation candidates are encouraged to attend. This event includes 11:00am Mass, lunch, games/activities and finish up with a group service project. This event can be counted as 2 out of 10 required service hours.

10/29/25 - Sponsor Eligibility Form DUE

11/19/25 - Saint Report DUE

11/30/25 - Advent Afternoon Service Opportunity

2/4 & 2/11/26 -Confirmation Interviews -during class time

2/25/26 - Service Project Hours and Essay DUE

**3/7/26** -9:00am- 5:00pm - Mandatory Confirmation Retreat - off-site, details coming soon.

**3/1/26** - Confirmation Rehearsal - During class time. Local sponsors are encouraged to attend.

**3/14/26** - Confirmation - Noon - Student and sponsor to arrive at 11:30am.