

Mandatory Parent Meeting

4 September 2019

5:35 p.m. in Church

Is this meeting optional? NO!

You will be reminded/updated about the following:

■The Diocesan Program, ***Safe and Sacred***: Protocols and directives; access to the entire program, **anyone** having contact with a person under 18 years of age **MUST** comply with diocesan policy, how to register and access the various levels, <https://dol-in.org/online-safe-environment-training>;

Security: For everyone's security, outside doors will be locked from 5:35 p.m. to 6:40p.m. during class.

■Notices/updates for **REMIND**; reminder notices about weather-related cancelations; bring your cell phones;

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■Review of handbook.

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Blessings and Peace,

We are quickly approaching another year of Religious Education. Attached, you will find registrations forms for Religious Education students. **You are asked to verify the student information and sign each form. Also, please complete and sign the Media Release form and return all paperwork BEFORE NOON, 21 August.** You may return all pages of registration and payment by: placing them in the collection basket; posting by mail; delivering to the Business Office during regular Business Office. **Registration fees are: \$25/single child or \$40 for a family.** There is an additional late registration fee of \$50.00 over and above the family registration fee. There is NO EXCUSE for late registrations. Thank you for your continued commitment **you** made when your child was baptized.

There are a few specific items that need your attention:

- 4 September is the first class. Concurrently, there will be a mandatory parent meeting in Church after the students have been dismissed.
- Semester attendance notices will be sent to you. Cumulative attendance does have an impact on the Sacramental reception and extra-curricular activities of students (75%).
- During the year, electronic notices and reminders are sent.
- **Baptismal Certificates are required with your registration for all first-time enrollees and their younger siblings.**
- As parents, the expectation is **YOU** teach your child(ren) the prayers of the Church. The Diocese has listed specific prayers for grades. These are listed on the Diocesan Web page at: <https://ecatholic-sites.s3.amazonaws.com/2446/documents/2019/5/2019-CatholicPrayerBooklet.pdf>.

One important notice from the public school calendar: There are two (2) eLearning days scheduled during the first semester. According to the letter from Mr. Foster, the following quote was stated: "Eastern Pulaski will have two planned eLearning days in the fall of 2019. Students will not come to class these days, however, the teaching staff will be on campus. These planned days count as a day of school out of the 180 required days but we are using them as practice days for eLearning. One of the biggest comments we heard from other schools was to have at least one practice day prior to actually using eLearning as a make-up day."

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There are specific important dates on the calendar. Please take notice of these dates, especially the Sacraments. As usual, we will be celebrating First Reconciliation (first semester) and First Eucharist (second semester). According to Diocesan Policy (which has been in effect since 2013 and has been referenced periodically), the Cluster Office knows who specifically who will be making their First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. To avoid any questions or misunderstandings (or rumors!), a brief synopsis is cited on the last page.

If you misplace the forms, all are available on the Cluster web page:
www.preciousbloodcluster.org

As a reminder, the Cluster e-mail address is: rmorris@dol-in.org

Thank you for your help and support in your child's pilgrimage (and yours) to the Kingdom of Heaven.

Rev. Leroy G. Kinnaman
Pastor/DRE

PRECIOUS BLOOD CLUSTER 2019-2020 MEDIA RELEASE FORM*

*to be completed **annually** and returned with registration

Precious Blood Cluster Religious Education Media Release

We believe that both the child and the Parish benefit from positive recognition. There may be an occasion for media coverage concerning your child(ren) throughout the school year. We ask for your permission to release this type of communication. This may include, but not be limited to newspapers, **The Catholic Moment**, bulletin boards, Precious Blood Cluster website, videos made throughout the school year, etc. Please circle below indicating your choice.

Family Name: _____

Child's Name(s): _____

CIRCLE YES OR NO

Yes The Precious Blood Cluster has my permission to release RE related communication involving my child to any media.

No The Precious Blood Cluster does **NOT** have my permission to release RE related communications involving my child to any media.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please return by **August 21, 2019. Thank you.**

PRECIOUS BLOOD RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2019-2020 CALENDAR

CLASS TIME: 5:30 P.M. – 6:45 P.M.

SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER/2019

JANUARY-MAY/2020

SEP 4 (Parent meeting)

JAN 8

SEP 11

JAN 15

SEP 18

JAN 22

SEP 25

JAN 29

OCT 2 **Safe environment**

FEB 5

OCT 9

FEB 12

FEB 19

OCT 23

FEB 26**

OCT 30

NOV 6

MAR 4

NOV 13

MAR 11

NOV 20

MAR 18+++

DEC 4

APR 1^^

DEC 11#####

APR 8

DEC 18

APR 15

APR 22

APR 29

MAY 6

SPECIFIC DATES:

1st Reconciliation classes & 1ST Communion classes: TBA

###Advent RE Reconciliation and 1st Reconciliation

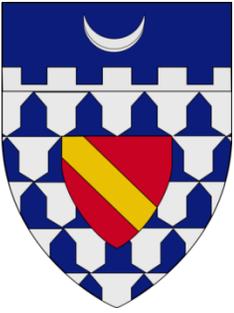
**** Ash Wednesday Mass**

+++ Lenten RE Reconciliation

^^ Way of the Cross (K-12)

3 MAY: 1ST Communion 10:00 a.m.

17 MAY: HS RE Recognition Brunch 11:00 a.m.



Diocese of Lafayette -in-Indiana
Guidelines for the Reception of the Sacraments
These Guidelines for the Reception of these Sacraments (Youth)
were effective August 1, 2013.

For First Reconciliation and First Communion:

2. The child, at a minimum, will have celebrated their seventh birthday. (CIC 11)
3. The child will complete at least one (school) year of formal catechesis either in a parish religious education program, Catholic home school, or parish school prior to the time of the preparation of the sacrament.

For Confirmation:

1. Young people receiving the sacrament of Confirmation must have reached their 13th birthday by the reception of the sacrament.
2. Young people must be active members of the Church as noted in the Precepts of the Church.
 - a. You shall attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days.
 - b. You shall confess your sins at least once a year.
 - c. You shall receive the sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter season.
 - d. You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church.
 - e. You shall help to provide for the needs of the Church. (CCC 2042)
3. It is expected that all Confirmation candidates participate in parish Confirmation formation. This includes public school, Catholic school, and home school youth.

- Sunday Mass attendance, in addition to classes and one retreat, is an expectation in Confirmation formation and parishes should emphasize this in the program.
- The candidate for the sacrament of Confirmation is expected to have participated in yearly ongoing faith formation since his/her reception of First Eucharist to assure a continuous, systematic, age appropriate catechesis. (75% annual attendance participation.)