

# SAINT MICHAEL'S CHURCH

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August 14, 2018

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 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 that you, the parents and guardians, 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 "Finding God" series from "Loyola Press", which is in compliance with the Archdiocese of Washington Faith Formation curriculum and includes family activities to enrich your Faith. We thank you for your support and cooperation and ask that you do whatever you can to support our staff as they carry out their mission to share our Catholic Faith with you and your child.

Family and students should report to the school gym prior to class for prayer and announcements. 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 9, 2018 from 9:15 - 10:15am.

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

The Registration form to be completed for each child is on-line at the St. Michael's Parish website (<https://saintmichaelscatholicchurch.org/>) under the Ministries tab. Please return a completed form for each child at the beginning of class on September 9, 2018 along with the requested payment \$30.00 per child. The schedule of classes for the year 2018-2019 and our Religious Education Behavior and attendance policies are included with this letter.

Sincerely in Christ,  
Rev. Peter Giovanoni  
Pastor

Deacon James Dominic  
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