

# Holy Spirit Parish

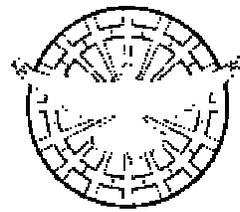
Office of Lifelong Faith Formation



# 2019-2020

## Family Handbook

August 20, 2019



Dear Holy Spirit Families:

Welcome back to another year of Faith Formation!

Please take a moment to review the attached academic calendar and add the dates for special programs and/or Masses to your family calendar.

It is the role of the parish to support parents in their essential responsibility as primary educators of their children. Weekly Mass is the primary means of support. The community comes together to nurture one another and to be nourished by Jesus Christ through his Word and his Body. Mass is the most important part of your child's faith development. For children preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation, and Eucharist, weekly Mass is an essential component of their Sacrament preparation. The whole purpose of the initiation Sacraments is to prepare your child to join with the parish community in sharing the Eucharist each week. Involving your child in children's Liturgy of the Word, or having them assist at Mass, will help your child strengthen a sense of belonging and ownership in the Mass. It will assist her/him to better understand who Jesus is, and what Jesus has called us all to do. Nurturing our children's friendship with Jesus is the ultimate aim of Faith Formation. Again this academic year, the 9AM Mass at St. Mary's, and the 10AM Mass at St. Martha will be designated as "hands-on" Masses, where children are encouraged to help with the various Mass roles like greeting, collecting, altar serving and gift bearing. ©

Our faith formation programs are dependent on the willingness of parishioners to volunteer, and there are many ways to help. Please pray with your family about how you can contribute to the youth faith formation endeavors at Holy Spirit parish, and complete both sides of the Registration and Contribution Form. Classes and programs offered in the Family Handbook are contingent on enough volunteers coming forward to lead them.

Occasionally, we need to change a date or detail provided in this Handbook, so please consult the weekly parish bulletin, e-mails, and handouts that your child brings home, to stay updated. The parish **Office of Lifelong Faith Formation** will communicate primarily through e-mail, so kindly ensure that we have your current e-mail address throughout the year.

It is a blessing for me to serve the families of Holy Spirit parish, and a privilege to work with an outstanding group of catechists who have answered "yes" to the Holy Spirit's call to share faith with our children.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you might have. I look forward to a wonderful year with each of you!!!

In Christ,  
Carolyn F. Houston, Director  
Office of Lifelong Faith Formation

# Holy Spirit Youth Faith Formation Programs & Policies – 2019/2020

Classes begin September 15/16, and continue through May 17/18. The availability of each class/session is dependent upon whether a volunteer has come forward to lead that particular class/session.

## K through 6

- **St. Mary site** – Sundays at 10am
- **St. Martha site** – Sundays at 9am.
- **A Monday session from 3:45 – 4:45pm at St. Mary’s may be offered if there is enough interest.**
  - Children will be using a catechetical program that focuses on being a disciple of Jesus with an emphasis on the Sacraments and symbols of the Church.
  - Children will meet with others in their grade to discuss, learn about, and experience those things that make us Catholic Christians.
  - As with any other educational endeavor in which your children participate, there may be activities for completion at home.

## Grades 7 and 8 – Junior High School Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

- **St. Mary site** - Sundays at 10am
- **St. Martha site** - Sundays at 9am
  - In addition to religious education, the Junior High program also encourages participation in community service, group discussions and events, diocesan activities, and retreats

## Grades 9-12 - High School Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

- **Sundays at 10am** - Class is a combined parish group from both church sites and will meet at St. Mary’s for the first half of the year, **and at St. Martha at 9am** for the second half of the year.
- A more detailed schedule is provided directly to families during the first few weeks of class
  - In addition to religious education, students are expected to participate in some or all of the following: community service, group discussions and events, diocesan events, and retreats

## Children with Special Needs

- Adaptive materials and catechetical settings will be arranged based on the needs of the child(ren).

## Parish Youth Faith Formation Policies

- **Weekly attendance at Mass is an essential component of ALL of the Faith Formation programs.**
- All parents are requested to read through the youth **Faith Formation Family Handbook**, and to return the **Parent Acknowledgement Form** to the parish office (or to your child’s catechist).
- **Attendance** – If your child will be absent, please advise the catechist, and make up the missed topic.
- For our children in K-4, a parent must do pick-up unless a **signed note is provided before class**. Children in grades 5-8 should not leave the building without a parent present.
- **Children who are preparing for any of the Sacraments are expected to participate in all sessions. Absences should be excused, and missed work made up at home. No more than three absences will be considered acceptable.**
- **Cancellation** – Cancellations due to inclement weather may be posted on **WGME, WCSH &/or WMTW cancellation websites & broadcasts**. Monday class will be cancelled if school/after-school activities are cancelled by the Wells-Ogunquit School District due to inclement weather.
- **Books/Folders/Notices** – Books, folders and/or notices may be sent home with your child for family activity and/or information. Kindly check with your child after class each week.
- **Withdrawing** – Please advise the parish if you are moving or withdrawing your child from Faith Formation classes.
- **In order to save on parish resources, e-mail will be the primary means of communication.** Families are requested to update the parish on any **address, telephone or e-mail** changes throughout the academic year.

# Journey in Faith Sessions

Last year, our parish launched an intergenerational faith formation endeavor that was very well received by attendees. We are continuing the Journey in Faith sessions again this year with some different topics and speakers.

These sessions will involve parishioners of every age, pre-school through adult. We'll gather together for some refreshment, prayer, and then break into age-appropriate faith formation groups on the same (or a closely related) topic.

We are called to form our faith as well as our community. Our mission as Catholics is to grow closer to Jesus, and to share His story with others. These Journey in Faith sessions will enable us to learn more while evangelizing one another as a faith family. They will also assist us in recognizing how we are called to bring the love of Jesus to our wider community as well.

The dates and topics for the Journey in Faith sessions are listed below, and more information about each session will be provided in the bulletin and through email as the dates approach. We hope that you will enter these dates in your calendar, and plan to join other members of your faith family for catechesis and community-building.

**To ensure that there are enough leaders and supplies, we need an RSVP for CHILDREN by the Wednesday before the session.**

<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>
1. October 27 <sup>th</sup> , 3-5pm at St. Martha	Reconciliation
2. November 17 <sup>th</sup> , 3-5pm At St. Mary's	I Believe: The Creed
3. December 15 <sup>th</sup> , 3-5pm at St. Martha	Open Wide Our Hearts: Catholicism & Racism
4. March 8 <sup>th</sup> , 3-5pm at St. Mary's	God the Holy Spirit
5. April 5 <sup>th</sup> , 3-5pm at St. Martha	Eucharist: The Real Presence
6. May 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 3-5pm at St. Mary's	Social Justice & Catholicism

# 2019-2020 Youth Confirmation, Eucharist and Reconciliation Preparation

*“Through the sacraments, our children encounter Jesus who, in His mercy, desires to walk with them throughout their lives. We want this encounter to be a true experience of grace, and one which provides a foundation for a life of faith.” Bishop Robert P. Deeley, June 2015*

Parents of children in need of Baptismal preparation should contact Carolyn Houston as soon as possible.

Over the past few years, our diocese has implemented a uniform approach to preparing children to receive the sacraments. This approach involves parents as well as the children, and hopes to foster a partnership among parents, faith formation coordinators, and our catechists. This method consists of a two-year preparation period. The first (called Year 1) includes children in first or second grade and will focus on the child and parents’ relationship with God and the Church. The second (called Year 2) includes children in second or third grade. It will focus on each of the three sacraments and what children need to know so their hearts are fully prepared to receive them. Children will prepare via weekly Sunday (or Monday) classes, with the use of their faith formation text and class handout resources, as well as through several parent-child Journey in Faith Parish Catechesis experiences.

For children beginning their preparation as 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> graders, their preparation will include weekly attendance in their age-appropriate Faith Formation classes, supplemental home study guided by Mrs. Houston, and parent-child Journey in Faith Parish Catechesis sessions as well.

A schedule for the parent-child Journey in Faith Parish Catechesis sessions is listed elsewhere in this handbook. For all children preparing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and/or Confirmation, the sessions on Reconciliation (October 27), God the Holy Spirit (March 8) and Eucharist: the Real Presence (April 5) must be attended with one or both parents before they receive these Sacraments. These three sessions will be offered again next year, so parents and children in Year 1 can choose whatever topics they want during this academic year. Year 1 children and parents need to attend *two* of the six sessions this academic year, and Year 2 children and parents need to attend *four* of these six sessions this academic year (with the October 27, March 8 and April 5 sessions being three of those four). Families are invited and encouraged to attend all of these sessions as they will be open to all Holy Spirit parishioners and families.

In addition to the Journey in Faith Parish Catechesis Sessions, a schedule for the younger (1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> grades) children is as follows:

## Year One (children in 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> grades)

### @ St. Martha Site

### @ St. Mary Site

1. **Important** Parent Overview Meeting

10/20 @ 9:10am

**OR**

10/6 @ 10:10am

(Parent’s only – it is assumed that parents will attend the meeting where their child attends FF unless Carolyn Houston is notified)

## Year Two (children in 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> grades who have completed Year One)

### @ St. Martha Site

### @ St. Mary Site

1. **Important** Parent Overview Meeting

10/20 @ 9:10am

**OR**

10/6 @ 10:10am

(Parent’s only – it is assumed that parents will attend the meeting where their child attends FF unless Carolyn Houston is notified)

2. 1st Reconciliation & reception

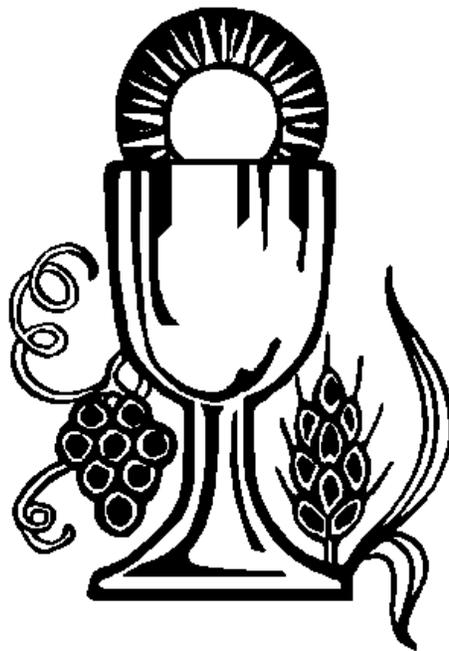
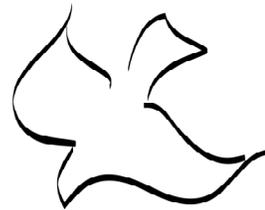
12/7 at 10:30am at St. Martha for children of BOTH church sites

## Year Two (cont.)

3. 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist & Confirmation Rehearsal (Parents & candidate)\*

This will depend upon what date we receive from the Bishop's office for our Sacrament celebration. It will take place at **St. Martha**, and will be for children and parents of **BOTH** Church sites
4. Confirmation & 1st Eucharist Sacramental Celebration

This date has yet to be disclosed to us by the Bishop's office. This celebration will take place at **St. Martha** this academic year.



\* A candidate's Sponsor is welcome to attend ANY of the Sacramental events, although only required to attend the actual celebration of Confirmation.

# Liturgy of the Word for Children 2019-2020



**Liturgy of the Word for Children is not a class, rather it is a worship experience for the children at their level.**

- During 9am Mass at St. Mary and the 10am Mass at St. Martha each Sunday.
- Follows the same holiday/cancellation schedule as Youth Faith Formation
- Two age groups:                      4-5 year-olds                      6-7 year-olds
- Children join a Minister of the Word during Mass after the opening prayer and return before the Liturgy of the Eucharist.
- With the Minister of the Word, children hear the Word of God for that Sunday in a manner in which they can understand and respond to.

## Family “Mass Class” Liturgies

Participation in weekly Mass is an essential component to the faith formation program at Holy Spirit Parish. It is hoped that our children will take leadership roles within our liturgical celebrations by participating as musicians, servers, lectors, greeters, ushers, etc . . . . Active participation in the Liturgy gives children a sense of ownership in their parish. During the academic year, the 9am Mass at St. Mary’s and the 10am Mass at St. Martha will attempt to utilize children for various necessary Mass “roles” (ministries) before seeking adult volunteers.

Twice a year we have Family Mass. These Masses are an opportunity for all of the families involved in Faith Formation to celebrate together at one church site. **Our Family Masses for the 2019-2020 academic year are scheduled for November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10am at St. Martha, and May 3<sup>rd</sup> at St. Mary’s. Both Masses will TAKE THE PLACE of classes for children (and families!!!) at BOTH sites those Sundays (and following Monday classes).** Please plan to have your family attend these Masses and watch for the notices regarding any additional special liturgies throughout the academic year. It is said . . . the family that prays together, stays together . . . ☺



## **Circle of Grace** **Safe Environment Program**



*Circle of Grace* aims to equip our children and young people by arming them with essential knowledge and skills grounded in the richness of our faith. This program helps children and young people to understand their own (and other's) dignity in mind, body, and spirit.

### ***What is a Circle of Grace?***

The Catholic Church teaches that God has created each of us as unique and special. Genesis 1:27 tells us that we are created “male and female in God’s image” and that God saw this as “very good”. In that goodness, we are meant to respect ourselves and everyone else as persons created and loved by God.

Adults assist children and young people to recognize God’s love by helping them to understand that each of us lives and moves in a *Circle of Grace*. You can imagine your own Circle of Grace by putting your arms above your head then circle down in front of your body including side to side. This circle, front to back, holds who you are in your body and through your senses. It holds your very essence in mind, heart, soul, and sexuality.

### ***Why is it important to help our children understand the Circle of Grace?***

God intends our relationships in life to be experiences of divine love. Respectful, nurturing, loving relationships increase our understanding of our own value and help us to love others. It is never too early to help children and young people understand how very special they are and how relationships in life are called to be sacred. Understanding this can help them to protect the special person they are and to be respectful of others.

Adults, especially parents, as they strive to provide a safe and protective environment, hold the responsibility to help children and young people understand and respect their own dignity and that of others. A truly safe and protective environment is one where children and young people recognize when they are safe or unsafe and know how to bring their concerns, fears, and uncertainties to the trusted adults in their lives.

### ***How is the Circle of Grace Program different from other protection programs?***

According to research, one in four girls and one in seven boys will be sexually abused by age eighteen.\* Many protection programs focus on “stranger danger”; however, up to ninety percent (90%) of the time the perpetrator of abuse is known to the child or young person such as a relative or a family friend. *Circle of Grace* goes beyond just protection by helping children and young people understand the sacredness of who they are and how to seek help through their relationships with trusted adults.

Class time on November 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> will be utilized to complete the three *Circle of Grace* lessons that have been written for each particular age group.

If you should have any questions or concerns about this new diocesan-wide endeavor, please feel free to contact the parish faith formation director, Carolyn Houston.

\*[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) or <http://nccanch.acfhhs.gov>

# Holy Spirit Parish Youth Faith Formation

## 2019/2020 Academic Year Calendar

<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>NOVEMBER</b>
<p><b><u>For BOTH sites</u></b>  <b>15 Catechetical Sunday</b></p> <p><b><u>St. Martha</u></b>  <b>15</b> Classes begin 9am  <b>15</b> Commissioning of Catechists            10am Mass  <b>22</b> Classes  <b>29</b> Classes</p> <p><b><u>St. Mary</u></b>  <b>15</b> Commissioning of Catechists,            9am Mass  <b>15</b> Sunday classes begin at 10am  <b>16</b> Monday classes begin at 3:45pm  <b>22/23</b> Classes  <b>29/30</b> Classes</p>	<p><b><u>For BOTH sites</u></b>  <b>18</b> Middle School Rally – 7<sup>th</sup> &amp; 8<sup>th</sup> graders            9am – 3pm, Good Shepherd Parish  <b>27 Journey in Faith Session</b>, 3-5pm at St. Martha (children and adults)</p> <p><b><u>St. Martha</u></b>  <b>6</b> Classes  <b>13</b> No classes  <b>20</b> Classes  <b>20</b> Sacramental Prep. Parent Mtg for Year 1 and Year 2 children 9:10am  <b>27</b> Classes</p> <p><b><u>St. Mary</u></b>  <b>6/7</b> Classes  <b>6</b> Sacramental Prep. Parent Mtg for Year 1 and Year 2 children 10:10am  <b>13/14</b> No classes  <b>20/21</b> Classes  <b>27/28</b> Classes</p>	<p><b><u>For BOTH sites</u></b>  <b>3</b> Family Mass at St. Martha 10am on Sunday November 3<sup>rd</sup> INSTEAD of Sunday &amp; Monday classes at BOTH sites  <b>17 Journey in Faith Session</b>, 3-5pm St. Mary's (children and adults)</p> <p><b><u>St. Martha</u></b>  <b>3</b> Family Mass (see above)  <b>10</b> No classes (Parish Fair!)  <b>17</b> Classes (Circle of Grace)  <b>24</b> Classes (Circle of Grace)</p> <p><b><u>St. Mary</u></b>  <b>3/4</b> Family Mass (see above)  <b>10/11</b> No Classes (Parish Fair)  <b>17/18</b> Classes (Circle of Grace)  <b>24/25</b> Classes (Circle of Grace)</p>
<p><b><u>DECEMBER</u></b></p> <p><b><u>For BOTH sites</u></b>  <b>7</b> 1st Reconciliation 10:30am @ St. Martha  <b>15 Journey in Faith Session</b>, 3-5pm at St. Martha (children and adults)</p> <p><b><u>St. Martha</u></b>  <b>1</b> No Classes  <b>8</b> Classes  <b>TBA</b> Gospel Presentation rehearsal 6-7pm  <b>15</b> Classes  <b>TBA</b> Gospel Presentation rehearsal 6-7pm  <b>22</b> Blessed Christmas! (no classes)  <b>29</b> Happy new year! (no classes)</p> <p><b><u>St. Mary</u></b>  <b>1/2</b> No Classes  <b>8/9</b> Classes  <b>TBA</b> Gospel Presentation rehearsal 6-7pm  <b>15/16</b> Classes  <b>TBA</b> Gospel Presentation rehearsal 6-7pm  <b>22/23</b> Blessed Christmas! (no classes)  <b>29/30</b> Happy new year! (no classes)</p>	<p><b><u>JANUARY</u></b></p> <p><b><u>For BOTH sites</u></b>  <b>12</b> 5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade FaithBreak 10am @ St. Mary's</p> <p><b><u>St. Martha</u></b>  <b>5</b> Classes  <b>12</b> Classes  <b>19</b> No Classes (MLK, Jr)  <b>26</b> Classes</p> <p><b><u>St. Mary</u></b>  <b>5/6</b> Classes  <b>12/13</b> Classes  <b>19/20</b> No Classes (MLK, Jr)  <b>26/27</b> Classes</p>	<p><b><u>FEBRUARY</u></b></p> <p><b><u>For BOTH sites</u></b>  <b>9</b> 3<sup>rd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade FaithBreak 9am @ St. Martha</p> <p><b><u>St. Martha</u></b>  <b>2</b> Classes  <b>9</b> Classes  <b>16</b> No classes– February vacation!  <b>23</b> Classes</p> <p><b><u>St. Mary</u></b>  <b>2/3</b> Classes  <b>9/10</b> Classes  <b>16/17</b> No classes– February vacation!  <b>23/24</b> Classes</p>

<b>MARCH</b>	<b>APRIL</b>	<b>MAY</b>
<p><b>Both sites</b>  <b>8 Journey in Faith Session</b>, 3-5pm at St. Mary's (children and adults)</p> <p><b>St. Martha</b>  <b>1</b> Classes  <b>8</b> Classes  <b>15</b> Classes  <b>22</b> Classes  <b>29</b> Classes</p> <p><b>St. Mary</b>  <b>1/2</b> Classes  <b>8/9</b> Classes  <b>15/16</b> Classes  <b>22/23</b> Classes  <b>29/30</b> Classes</p>	<p><b>Both sites</b>  <b>3 Junior High Live Stations of the Cross &amp; High School Simple Supper – St. Mary's, 6:30pm</b>  <b>5 Journey in Faith Session</b>, 3-5pm at St. Martha (children and adults)  <b>24-26</b> Diocesan Youth Convention - high school – Portland, ME</p> <p><b>St. Martha</b>  <b>5</b> Classes  <b>12</b> No Classes – Happy Easter!  <b>19</b> No Classes – (April vacation)  <b>26</b> Classes</p> <p><b>St. Mary</b>  <b>5/6</b> Classes  <b>12/13</b> No Classes – Happy Easter!  <b>19/20</b> No Classes – (April vacation)  <b>26/27</b> Classes</p>	<p><b>Both sites</b>  <b>3</b> Family Mass at St. Mary's 9am on Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup> INSTEAD of Sunday &amp; Monday classes at both sites  <b>3 Journey in Faith Session</b> 3-5pm at St. Mary's (children and adults)</p> <p><b>St. Martha</b>  <b>3</b> Family Mass instead of Class (see above)  <b>10</b> No Classes - Happy Mother's Day  <b>17</b> Last Class</p> <p><b>St. Mary</b>  <b>3/4</b> Family Mass instead of Class (see above)  <b>10/11</b> No Classes - Happy Mother's Day  <b>17/18</b> Last Class</p>

**Contact Information:**

**Holy Spirit Parish**

Parish Website

[www.holyspiritme.org](http://www.holyspiritme.org)

Parish Facebook page

[https://www.facebook.com/holyspiritmaine/?ref=br\\_rs](https://www.facebook.com/holyspiritmaine/?ref=br_rs)

Parish Youth Ministry Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1384459468466455/>

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# Holy Spirit Parish **Youth** Faith Formation Registration & Contribution Form – Page Two

**“MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK.” FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL OF OUR CHILDREN,  
PLEASE FIND SOMETHING ON THIS LIST THAT YOU CAN HELP OUT WITH:**

## CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD

- Minister of the Word** – circle age group preferred:      4 & 5yrs              6 & 7yrs  
Responsible for one block of 4 Sundays - assisting children in understanding the Sunday readings

## GRADES PreK-6 FAITH FORMATION

- Faith Sharer/Catechist** – Grade level \_\_\_\_\_  
Academic year - leads a group of children in exploring and furthering their Catholic faith
- Asst. Faith Sharer/Catechist** – Grade level \_\_\_\_\_  
Academic year - assists the Faith Sharer/Catechist
- Faith Tech.** works one-on-one with a child with special needs
- Substitute Catechist** (on list for catechists to call in the event catechist plans an absence)
- Assist** with the Sacramental celebrations & retreats
- Assist** with receptions following celebrations/retreats
- Working with a small group of children studying to become Catholic

## SPIRITUALITY

- Youth retreat planning committee (please specify age group) \_\_\_\_\_

## JR. HIGH FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

- Serve on Sunday faith building team as a co-catechist
- Serve on projects/activities team planning parish events for Jr. High teens
- Chaperone diocesan and/or parish events

## SR. HIGH FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

- Serve on Sunday faith building team as a co-catechist
- Serve on projects/activities team planning parish and community events for Sr. High teens
- Chaperone diocesan and/or parish events

## CLERICAL / MISCELLANEOUS HELP

- |  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> organizing supplies | <input type="checkbox"/> cutting materials            | <input type="checkbox"/> cooking                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> telephone calls     | <input type="checkbox"/> card writing                 | <input type="checkbox"/> preparing craft projects |
| <input type="checkbox"/> sewing              | <input type="checkbox"/> send reminder emails         | <input type="checkbox"/> organizing closets       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> sign language       | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please explain) _____ |   |



## SUGGESTED DONATION FOR TEXTS/MATERIALS for the ENTIRE academic year:

- |                              |                                   |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Catechists/Assistants</b> | <b>No Donation</b>                |
| <b>Budget Envelope Users</b> | <b>\$20 /child or \$60/family</b> |
| <b>All Others:</b>           | <b>\$30 /child or \$90/family</b> |

**TOTAL DONATION:** \_\_\_\_\_

## For parents registering children for youth faith formation:

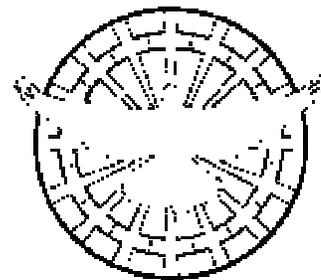
**I request permission for my child(ren) to attend faith formation at Holy Spirit Parish. I have read the Faith Formation policies, and I agree to read the 2019-2020 Faith Formation Family Handbook. I understand it is my family’s responsibility to abide by the parish’s policies, and to assist the parish faith formation program.**

**I give permission for photos of my child(ren), to be displayed within the parish and on the parish website and/or Facebook page. For safety reasons, no child’s photograph will be identified by name.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Parent(s) Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

# Parent/Family Acknowledgement Form 2019-2020



This handbook is meant to provide the families of Holy Spirit Parish with helpful information on how our parish intends to assist you with faith formation. The one certainty in life is change, and while we would certainly prefer that the schedule as written in this handbook remains the same, there is the possibility of changes needing to be made as the academic year progresses. Parents will be notified, in writing, if changes are made to any procedures or information contained in this booklet.

This is to acknowledge that I/we have received the Holy Spirit Parish Faith Formation handbook. We understand and agree to cooperate with the parish policies set forth in the handbook.

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Signed (parent) Date

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Signed (parent) Date

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Signed (student) Date

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Signed (student) Date

\*If you have more than four students in your family (☺), please feel free to use the reverse side of this form!

**Please sign this form and return it to the parish office, put it in the collection basket as Mass, or leave it with your child's catechist ☺**

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