



May 2019

Dear Parents,

I hope you and your family are well and this Easter Season is a time of great joy and peace for you.

This year there will be two options for Catechesis: Academic Program and Home Study Program.

The Academic Program begins the week of September 16 and ends the week of May 13<sup>th</sup>. The classes are held for one hour and 15 minutes and are conducted by one of our volunteer Parish Catechists. Good attendance, participation, limited assignments and respectful behavior are required of children along with parental support.

The Home Study Program is highly recommended for students who are engaged in many extra activities or families with extenuating circumstances. This program option requires a family pledge to assist the child at home with required materials and 7 mandatory catechetical evenings for evaluations and enrichment. The Home Study Program is not open to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students as mandated by Diocesan policy.

Please keep in mind that in both programs good attendance, regular participation at Mass and Church devotions are invaluable in passing on the faith to our children and no program can substitute for the primary role of the parents.

Parent volunteers are a vital part of our Religious Education Program too, especially aides in the classroom and hall monitors, to ensure the safety of our children. Please consider assisting us on the days we have classes.

Parents, please complete and mail or drop off your signed registration forms to me at the address below as soon as possible but no later than July 1, 2019 deadline.

***Please refer to other side of this letter.***



More information about all of our religious education options as well as our parent volunteer form can be found on our website at [www.stgregorythegreatchurch.org](http://www.stgregorythegreatchurch.org).

Of note and importance:

- **Please be sure to completely fill out one registration form for each child.**
- **If your child is entering first grade or is new to our program, you must provide a copy of the baptismal certificate.**
- Please be sure to fill out the Family Payment Page.
- You may pay online with a credit card (See 2019-2020 Tuition page for the link). You may also send in a check or cash. **Tuition must be paid in full before your child can be placed in a class. A payment plan can be arranged if there are financial concerns.**
- Late fees – please see the family payment page.
- Please be sure to fill in the emergency contact section on the registration form and pick up form.
- Please sign and date the permission to photograph on the registration form.
- Classes will be limited in number for Safety Concerns request to be with friends or certain instructor cannot be honored.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely in Christ,

Sister Carolyn Houck

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