

**St Francis of Assisi Church**  
**REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
**2016-17**

**WE WILL ACCEPT REGISTRATIONS FOR THE UPCOMING 2016-17 PROGRAM:  
MAY 15, 2016 THRU SEPT. 4, 2016**

**ALL STUDENTS, RETURNING AND NEW MUST BE REGISTERED for the 2016-17  
year.**

*\*EARLY REGISTRATION MAY 15 THRU JUNE 19, 2016*

*(except June 4 & 5 office is closed)*

*Discount of 20% off of the Total Family Tuition. Tuition must be paid in full at the time of  
registration.....deadline is June 19, 2016 in order to receive the discount.*

**RE-ENROLLMENT REGISTRATIONS for continuing students, forms can be dropped off at the Religious  
Education office or Parish office. Please see our hours listed below.**

**NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION IS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY:**

**Please call (201) 488-2614 or email: stfrancisreled@gmail.com to make an appointment.**

**Religious Education Office Hours: (please call ahead to confirm) 201-488-2614**

**Saturdays 9:00am-12:00noon; Sundays 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm (May, June and August)**

**Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:00 am – 5:00 pm.; Wednesdays 7:30pm-10:00pm (May thru August)**

**CLASSES BEGIN: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2016**

**CLASSES END: SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2017**

**A 2016-17 Calendar and the Parent Handbook will be distributed to all parents at Parent  
Orientation Meetings:**

**Saturday, August 27, 2016 at 10:00am-12:00 noon**

**or**

**Sunday, August 28, 2016 at 10:00am-12:00 noon**

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

- Grades 1 thru 6 are required to attend class on Sundays at 9:00 am
- Grades 7-9 and high school age students in the Confirmation preparation program are required to attend the Mass, with class immediately following at 11:45am
- ALL students are required to attend the Children's Mass EVERY Sunday at 10:30 A.M. . Any family exceptions are to be discussed with the director in advance.

### SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

<b>9:00 A.M.:</b>	<b>Students grades 1 thru 6 will assemble in the gymnasium with their class and catechist.</b>
<b>10:20 am</b>	<b>Students grades 1 thru 6 will go to the Church with their class and catechist. Students grades 7-12 and high school in the Confirmation preparation program are to go to the church for Mass and sit with their catechist.</b>
<b>10:20 A.M. – 11:45 A.M.:</b>	<b>CELEBRATION OF CHILDREN'S MASS – All Students</b>
<b>11:45 am</b>	<b>Students grades 1 thru 6 are dismissed and picked up by their parents. Students grades 7-12 and high school in the Confirmation preparation program go to the gymnasium to assemble for class.</b>
<b>11:45am-1:00pm</b>	<b>Students grades 7-12 and high school in the Confirmation preparation program Class</b>

**REQUIREMENTS FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION:**

**\*NOTE: REGISTRATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED COMPLETE IF WE ARE MISSING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:**

**I. For continuing students:**

- Student Progress Report Card with passing grade and good class attendance.
- Proof of Family being registered as members of St. Francis Church.
- Completed Returning Student Registration form and payment of registration fees in full (non-refundable)
- St Francis Religious Education Handbook signed acknowledgment form

**II. For New Students: ( ANY CHILD WHO HAS NOT ATTENDED RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES AT ST FRANCIS OR ANY OTHER PARISH IN 2 YEARS OR MORE)**

- A copy of Birth and Baptismal certificates
- A copy of First Communion Certificate or a certified letter from parish
- Proof of Family being registered as members of St. Francis Church.
- Completed Registration forms and payment of registration fees in full (non-refundable)
- St Francis Religious Education Handbook signed acknowledgment form

**YEARLY TUITION:**

One student = \$90.00

Two Students = \$140.00

Three siblings or more = \$180.00

1<sup>st</sup> Phase Confirmation = \$20.00

2<sup>nd</sup> Phase Confirmation = \$20.00

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FEES:**

First Reconciliation = \$30.00

First Holy Communion = \$30.00

Confirmation Fee = \$40.00

**\* LATE REGISTRATION FEE WILL BE APPLIED AFTER SEPT. 4 = \$25.00**

**LATE REGISTRANTS WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED UNTIL SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2016.**

**YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO REGISTER AFTER THIS DATE.**

# **OUTLINE OF ST. FRANCIS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

**2016-2017**

**\*ANY CHILD WHO HAS NOT ATTENDED RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES AT ST FRANCIS OR ANY OTHER PARISH IN 2 YEARS OR MORE WILL BE CONSIDERED A NEW STUDENT AND WILL HAVE TO COMPLETE 1 YEAR OF BASIC CATECHISM PRIOR TO ENTERING A SACRAMENT PREPARATION PROGRAM.**

## **I. REGULAR CLASSES:**

<b>Grade 1</b>	<b>Life is God's Gift to Me (6 years old)</b> <b>Requirement: Baptism</b>
<b>Grade 2</b>	<b>First Reconciliation Preparation (7 yrs old)</b> <b>Requirement: Baptism and grade 1 completion</b>
<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>First Communion Preparation (8 yrs old)</b> <b>Requirement: Baptism, Reconciliation and grade 2 completion</b>
<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>Yes to God's Invitation to Love</b> <b>Requirement: Baptism, Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and grade 3 completion</b>
<b>Grade 5</b>	<b>Sharing God's Life and Love</b> <b>Requirement: Baptism, Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and grade 4 completion</b>
<b>Grade 6</b>	<b>Living the Word of God</b> <b>Requirement: Baptism, Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and grade 5 completion</b>

**II. SPECIAL CLASSES for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion for children 9 years and older (Spanish & English):**

**2 Year Program:**

Year 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Basic Catechism Classes on Sundays</li> <li>➤ Weekly Mass attendance with their class</li> </ul>
Year 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Entry into a Regular Class grade</li> <li><u>AND</u> Special Sacramental Classes 2 times a Month on Wednesday Evenings; October thru December are First Reconciliation Preparation classes; February thru April are First Holy Communion Preparation Classes</li> <li>*Must have 100% attendance for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Wednesday classes in order to be properly prepared to receive the Sacraments</li> </ul>
Continuation of Program	

**III. CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASSES: (GRADES 7-12)**

Grade 7	<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Phase: Practicing Our Faith; (min. age 12) Requirement:</b> Baptism, Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and grade 6 completion</p>
Grade 8	<p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Phase: Decision-making; Requirement:</b> Baptism, Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and grade 7 completion; complete Works of Mercy Service hours</p>
Grade 9 Immediate Preparation for Confirmation:	<p><b>3<sup>rd</sup> Phase: A Call to Community Service; Requirement:</b> Baptism, Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and grade 8 completion; Confirmation Retreat in April (date tbd); complete Works of Mercy service hours</p>

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## **PRECEPTS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**ALL CHILDREN WHO HAVE RECEIVED THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ARE REQUIRED TO: ATTEND SUNDAY MASS, CONFESS THEIR SINS AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR, RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION FREQUENTLY**

### **IV. RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS (RCIA):**

- **These classes are for the un-baptized who wish to become Christians and members of the Catholic Church.**
- **RCIA can be adapted to other baptized Christian adults seeking membership in the Catholic Church.**
- **This is a TWO-YEAR PROGRAM.**

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### **V. PARENT CATECHESIS IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH:**

1. **MANDATORY REQUIREMENT: At least one parent of the candidates for Reconciliation and 1<sup>st</sup> Communion and Confirmation must attend adult catechesis, so that they can teach their children at home.**
2. **Class will meet TWICE a month during the Wednesday Sacramental Preparation classes from October 2016 thru April 2017**
3. **Registration for parents is FREE and will be done at the time of child's registration.**
4. **Certificates will be awarded upon completion of requirement.**
5. **OTHER PARENTS/ADULTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE AND JOIN THE CLASS.**