



St. Patrick Parish

Religious Education Program

Family Catechesis Pledge and Commitment Contract Levels 3-4-5-6

The Catholic Church states that *"Parents above others are obliged to form their children in the faith and practice of Christian life by word and example"* (Can. 774 §2). This sentiment is echoed in many Church documents including The General Directory for Catechesis and the National Directory for Catechesis. St. Patrick Parish recognizes and affirms parents in their role as the primary catechists of their children, and has designed its Family Catechesis Program to assist parents in their role by providing them with a formal, structured, and planned program of catechesis formation, supplemented with family-based spirituality throughout the academic year.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS in St. Patrick Family Catechesis option requires the successful completion of the Formational and Spiritual Components of the Program which includes:

- Families are expected to attend regular weekly Sunday Mass and the Class Mass to the best of their ability.
- Families attend Holy Days of Obligation to the best of their ability.
- Families are expected to attend Family Class, Family PREP Days and Joyful Scenes of Christmas
 - Completion of all at-home session assignments and returned by due dates.
 - Families will participate in prayer by joining us for the Living Rosary in October.
 - Family participation in the sacrament of Penance once per year.

***Families will be expected to attend **all Sunday Sessions** barring extenuating circumstances, such as illness or family emergency, and no more than **two sessions** can be missed under such circumstances. Families that miss more than two sessions will be required to complete the remainder of the program year in the traditional weekly program.

Participation in sports and extracurricular activities are not considered extenuating circumstances. In addition, family events (e.g., parties, celebrations, etc.) and vacations should be planned around the Sunday Family Sessions so that they do not conflict with a family's participation in said sessions. ***

- Families are encouraged to participate in a Sunday night Rosary via zoom at least once during the year.
- Families are encouraged to participate in the Sacrament of Penance and Stations of the Cross at least once during Lent.
- Families are encouraged to participation in Adult Faith Formation Activities

Family Catechesis Family Pledge and Commitment Contact

Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____
First Middle Last

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We fully agree to the above requirements of the St. Patrick Family Catechesis Program.
I understand that in not meeting the above stated requirements my family may be denied participation in the Family Catechesis Program or Camp Caritas the following year and my student may need to join the weekly PREP session on Mondays to complete all work.

Parent Signature Date _____

Child's Signature Date _____

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