



Parish School of Religion
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'10-11 PSR Registration Information

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Memorial of St. Peter Chrysologus,
Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Dear St. Mary of the Assumption Parish Families:

The education of our children in the basic tenants of our Catholic faith is extremely important today. Our culture competes for their full attention and bombards them with many messages that stand at odds with our call to become saints! I believe we must do our best to prepare our children for the challenges that they will inevitably encounter by educating them in the faith, helping them to form a strong moral conscience, and fostering a personal relationship with the triune God through Holy Mass, celebration of the sacraments, and prayer.

As adults, our Catholic faith is not just something we profess at Mass during the Creed, but it's something our children should see us striving to live-out with our everyday words and actions. Together-- parents, pastoral staff, and PSR catechists, we combine to pass on the great treasure of our faith and witness to it by our Christian example in daily life.

The day your son or daughter was baptized, you responded, "We do" to the following: "*You have asked to have your child baptized. In doing so you are accepting the responsibility of training him/her in the practice of the faith. It will be your duty to bring him/her up to keep God's commandments as Christ taught us by loving God and our neighbor. Do you clearly understand what you are undertaking?*"

At Saint Mary, we understand that you may not have the time and resources to do this on your own. This is where the Parish School of Religion comes in. We have the classroom resources, we are eager to spend the time on Sunday between the Masses with your children, and we have the talent and Christian example of our adult catechists who are eager to work with your children! We have a strong program in place for students in pre-school, kindergarten and 1st – 8th grade. Together as parents, pastoral staff, and catechists, we can combine to pass on the great treasure of our faith and bear witness to it by our Christian example in daily life.

In your charity, I ask you to prayerfully consider enrolling your child in our Parish School of Religion for the coming academic year. Our PSR orientation for parents and students will be on Sunday, September 12th at 10AM in the school gym at 309 E. Chestnut Street. In order to have more time available for orientation, I ask that you please complete the enclosed registration and medical forms in advance of orientation. Please send your completed forms and tuition check to the Saint Mary Rectory by Friday, September 3rd so class lists and all medical information can be prepared and available to the teachers.

I pray that you will take advantage of this opportunity to continue to foster your sons or daughters faith-life. I would be happy to meet with you before the September Orientation to discuss the program and answer any questions you may have about our classes and sacramental preparations.

The Lord be with You!

Brian McCauley
Director of Sacramental,
Pastoral and Faith Formation