

SOUTHEAST CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS FORMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

A Ministry of the South Shore Parishes:

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Dear Parents,

It is time to begin the registration process for 2023-24 Southeast Catholic Religious Education programs. We will continue to offer an elementary program that combines family catechetical experiences with child and adult learning. Our two pastors will alternate sessions with the adults during the time the children are in the classroom with the catechist.

Our Offerings

a. **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd** (age 3½ - K5): Montessori based for preschool children offered on Saturday morning, 10 – 11am, September – May. Class size is limited. Parents do not need to remain unless desired.

b. **Grades 1 – 8 on campus**: Classes held the second and fourth Wednesday evenings 6 – 7:30pm. Sessions include family activity/prayer followed by priest-led adult formation for parents and child classroom learning. Parents pick up their child at the classroom when parent formation ends. Grade levels are combined when necessary.

c. **Parent led Home Study (K5 – 8)**: For parents who cannot attend on campus or want to teach their children at home, we offer the option to receive the standard textbook and chapter lesson plans. Families meet with the director once each semester to review completed chapters.

d. **High School (9 – 10)**: In-person classes for students are held on two Sunday evenings per month. There is no home study option. Parents are invited to attend the Wednesday sessions for adult level formation. Two years of High School Formation is required prior to preparation for Confirmation as a high school Junior or Senior.

We will need volunteer teachers and aides for grades 1 – 8 and small group leaders for High School. We offer teachers/small group leaders one student tuition free. We provide teaching support and lesson plans. High school siblings can also act as elementary class aides for required service hours. If you are curious or interested in volunteering as a teacher/small group leader or aide, contact Karen as soon as possible. (Volunteers please use paper registration form in order to subtract the free tuition from your total fee.)

On-line Registration using credit or debit card for a one-time payment or creating a payment plan is available at our website southeastcatholic.org BEGINNING JULY 1 through DECEMBER 31. Use the enclosed paper registration form for check or money order with full payment (checks payable to ST. VERONICA)

Sacrament Preparation: Preparation is offered for Reconciliation, Eucharist and Youth Confirmation. We send registration materials to eligible families in July (Confirmation) or August (Reconciliation/Eucharist).

We look forward to serving your family – the domestic church.

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