



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to another Religious Education school year. We thank all of you who have volunteered to help teach and for your support as parents and guardians. We are in need of many volunteers—please see enclosed form. After filling out the registration form **circle your address and/or phone number if there have been any changes.**

EARLY CHILDHOOD (age 3 by August 31 through 1st grade) Caitlin Elder/Anna Lemieux

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Sunday Mornings during 9:30 Mass

The program introduces the children to Bible Stories as well as basic symbols and prayers of the Catholic Church, utilizing curriculum by RCL Benziger which are Imprimatur approved curricula. They will praise God through song, prayers with class activities while learning the most important lesson that God Always loves them. We have several special musical performances during the ECRE year and processions as well. There are two classrooms for each age level, and class lists will be posted in the hallways. All children must be school ready including toilet trained, able to leave parent with confidence, and be taught with age appropriate materials.

ELEMENTARY (Grades 2– 5) Jean Rieb (509) 940-1011

Wednesday Evenings – 7pm – 8pm

We use the Sadlier We Believe, Parish Edition © 2004 Program for our Elementary Classes (Grades 2– 5). Each grade level specifically focuses on age-appropriate, educationally sound lessons that nurture faith. Scripture is the foundation of the program and is integrated throughout the text. Please drop off your children no earlier than five minutes before class and pick them up promptly at 8:00 P.M. For the safety of you children, 2nd and 3rd graders will not be released to the parking lot. We ask that a parent or older sibling pick them up at the classroom.

MIDDLE SCHOOL (Grades 6– 8) Sarah Moore (509) 940-1012

Wednesday Evenings – 7pm – 8pm

We will cover various aspects of faith formation, focusing on a relationship with Christ, Sacred Scripture study and application of the Catholic faith in everyday life. Our active, discussion-based curriculum is designed to meet the unique needs of middle school students. We utilize a variety of curriculums such as the Theology of the Body, Venture: The Bible Timeline, and Connected: Catholic Social teachings from Ascension Press. Once a quarter we have a fun night led by a select group of high school students. During these events, all middle school students gather together for a night of games and faith sharing. In addition to the regular Wednesday night faith formation classes, we also have a monthly social youth group featuring bowling nights, dinners and holiday parties. Our landmark event, the Building Bridges Middle School Rally, brings together middle school aged Catholics from all over the diocese for a two-day event filled with live music, activities and prayer.

CONFIRMATION: Melissa Montenegro (509) 940-0101

Confirmation

This fall we will begin the process of transitioning our confirmation preparation program from a high school program beginning in 10th grade with confirmation in the 11th grade to a middle school program beginning in 7th grade with confirmation in 8th grade. The purpose of the confirmation preparation program is to ensure a sufficient knowledge of the sacrament and to build a deep relationship with Christ and His Church. In order to ensure that all youth who want to be confirmed have the opportunity to receive the sacrament, we will also maintain our high school program for the next few years. We will maintain the diocesan requirements of sacramental preparation classes, faith formation, a retreat during the second year of confirmation prep, and service. Youth must be registered and regularly attend middle school or high school faith formation.

HIGH SCHOOL/LIFE TEEN (Grades 9 - 12) Melissa Montenegro (509) 940-0101

Sunday Evenings after the 5PM Mass

LIFE TEEN is our high school youth ministry program that aims to "Bring Teens Closer to Christ." We share in the parents' role as the primary catechists, helping teens form their faith and grow in relationship with Christ and His Church. We accomplish this through Life Nights on Sunday evenings after the 5PM Mass, small groups, Wednesday night Bible studies, an annual mission trip, retreats, and conferences throughout the year. Contact Melissa Montenegro for more information.

CIC (Christian Initiation of Children) (Grades 4 and up) Michelle Portch 948-6636

Third Monday of the month (October through April) 7:00 – 8:30pm

This program is specifically for those children, who have not received their sacraments (Baptism, Reconciliation, or First Communion) by the fourth grade. Students must simultaneously attend Religious Ed classes on Wednesday nights or be enrolled at Christ the King School while also participating in the 7 CIC class sessions. Classes will cover salvation history, the seven sacraments, and how to live as Jesus' disciples, using the curriculum, Our Catholic Faith, from Sadlier Publishing.

ADULT: Meggin Sanner (541) 571-8402

Our parish has many and varied opportunities for continued faith development and spiritual growth for adults which include, but are not limited to, Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), Adult Bible Studies, programs for returning Catholics, Catholic Mom's Group, Young Adult Ministry, the Parish Mission, etc. Bible studies, drawn from both the Old and New Testaments, and classes based on writings of the saints and contemporary Church leaders, range from 6-12 weeks long and are offered in the mornings and evenings for your convenience. Classes and studies begin in September. For more information on ongoing formation opportunities for adults, please contact Meggin or see the "Faith Formation – Adult" webpage on the parish website, or visit us on our blog: <https://ckadultre.com/>, and on Facebook and Twitter (@CKAdultRE). The Parish now has **FORMED** which will help you and your children in the formation of faith. To register for this **FREE** resource, go to ckparish.formed.org (use code **FVRWN2** if necessary).

Please keep the young people of our parish and the many volunteers who work in our religious education programs in your prayers, as we get ready to begin a new school year.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Lori Wasner, Michelle Portch, Jean Rieb, Caitlin Elder, Anna Lemieux, Sarah Moore,
Melissa Montenegro, Meggin Sanner

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