



A Century of Faith ~ A Future of Hope

St. Patrick Parish

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WELCOME

2018-19 PREP REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR NEW STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

The St. Patrick Parish Religious Education Program is open to all registered parish families with children from grade 1 to grade 8 who attend the area public or non-parochial schools.

PREREQUISITES

- The family must be registered in St. Patrick Parish.
- Students must attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days. The basis of all religious instruction is the Liturgy of the Word and of the Eucharist.
- A child must have completed the previous year of religious education before moving on to the next year (e.g., grade 1 completed before entering grade 2), regardless of the child's grade in school.

REGISTRATION

Please complete one family form. Please complete one student information sheet for *each* child you wish to enroll. It is important that the forms be filled in completely. *A copy of the baptismal record is necessary for registration to be considered complete.*

REGISTRATION FEE

For those students in grades 1 up to and including grade 6, the fee is \$200 for one child, \$350 for two children, and \$475 for three or more. There is no fee for the Grade 7/8 class. Make checks payable to St. Patrick Parish. If payment is a problem, please let us know. We have several options.

CLASS OPENINGS

Due to the large number of enrollments, we must operate on a first-come, first-serve basis. We do try to accommodate everyone. When registering your child/children for PREP classes, please specify your preference for either the Sunday, or Monday sessions keeping in mind the session(s) at which his/her grade level is offered.

CLASS SESSIONS FOR THE 2018-19 YEAR

SUNDAY SESSION

9:15-10:20 a.m.
Grades 1 - 6
Children will be walked over to 10:30 Mass at the end of the session.

MONDAY SESSIONS

4:45-6:00 p.m.
Grades 1-6

OR

6:30-7:45 p.m.
Grades 1-8

Our Religious Education Program is staffed by good hearted and caring parishioners who volunteer their time and talent to make it work! Parents of PREP students are vital to the good running of our program. Will you consider staying and helping while your child is in class? We are always in need of help in many areas...classroom catechists, catechist aides, classroom help, substitutes, office help during PREP session, hall monitors, and baby-sitting during PREP sessions.

What is needed to be a catechist? A love of God and our Catholic faith, and a desire to share this faith with the youth of our parish. Training and guidance in preparing and teaching lessons are given to those interested. If you would like to "watch a catechist in action" to see if you might be interested, please give us a call. High school teens are also welcome to help...as are grandparents! Please see the enclosed volunteer form.

Welcome, thank you and God bless you and your family.

Dr. Eileen Tieran

ST. PATRICK PREP NEW FAMILY REGISTRATION FORM

Section 1: Mailing Information *Please fill in all fields that apply.*

Last Name: _____ Street Address: _____
First Names of _____ Apartment #: _____
Adult Addressees: _____ City: _____
Primary Phone #: _____ Zip Code: _____

Section 2: Parent Information *Please fill in all fields that apply. Please check box for primary email.*

Father's Email: _____ Mother's Email: _____
Father's Last Name _____ Mother's Last Name _____
If Different: _____ If Different: _____
Father's First Name: _____ Deceased: **Y N** Mother's First Name: _____ Deceased: **Y N**
Father's Religion: _____ Maiden Name: _____
Father's Cell #: _____ Mother's Religion: _____
Father's Work #: _____ Ext: _____ Mother's Cell #: _____
Status of Custodial Parent(s) (Circle One) _____ Mother's Work #: _____ Ext: _____
Married Separated Divorced Remarried Single Child Lives With: _____

Family Registered with Parish Yes No

Is there any Court Order in effect? Yes No

If yes, attach copy of most current Court Order.

Should we be aware of any issues? Yes No

Explain _____

Section 3: Emergency Information *Please provide contacts for when parent(s) cannot be reached.*

First Contact: _____ Second Contact: _____
Home Phone #: _____ Home Phone #: _____
Cell #: _____ Cell #: _____
Work #: _____ Work #: _____

Section 4: Guardian *Please fill in fields if this section applies.*

Guardian: _____ Street Address: _____
Home Phone #: _____ City, Zip Code: _____

Section 5: Payment Information. *Please fill in all fields.*

Tuition 2018-2019

Before 5/31/18 \$175/1st Child \$300/2 \$400/3+ **After 5/31/18:** \$200/1st child \$350/2 \$475/3+

Number of Children Being Registered for 2018-2019: _____

Payment Method: _____ Cash _____ Check

Is Parent a Volunteer? Yes No

Amount Paid: \$ _____ Partial Full (circle one)

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

ST. PATRICK PREP NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION FORM

Section 1: General Information *Please fill in all fields.*

Last Name: _____ School Attending in Fall 2018: _____
First Name: _____ School Grade in Fall 2018: _____
Middle Name: _____ PREP Grade in Fall 2018: _____
Nickname _____ Gender: _____
Learning Disabilities Yes No Explain _____
Special Classroom Needs: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Section 2: Medical Information *Please fill in all fields that apply.*

Medical Issues: _____
Allergies: _____
Medications: _____
Other Concerns: _____

Section 3: Sacrament Information *Please fill in all fields that apply.*

<u>Baptism</u> <i>Please include a copy of baptismal certificate</i>	<u>First Penance</u>
Date Received: _____	Date Received: _____
Name of Church: _____	Name of Church: _____
City: _____	City: _____
State: _____	State: _____
<u>Eucharist</u>	<u>Confirmation</u>
Date Received: _____	Date Received: _____
Name of Church: _____	Name of Church: _____
City: _____	City: _____
State: _____	State: _____
Comments: _____	

The following must be filled out for new students who are registering for Grade 2 or higher:

Where did the child receive his or her religious education last year? _____

SESSION SELECTION FOR 2018-2019

Please write "1" next to _____ Monday afternoon 4:45-6:00 Grades 1 - 6
your first choice and "2"
next to your second choice. _____ Monday evening 6:30-7:45 Grades 1 - 8
_____ Sunday morning 9:15-10:20 Grades 1 - 6



**Saint Patrick Parish
Religious Education Program**



New Sunday Morning PREP Session 2018-2019

9:15 to 10:20 (children will be walked over to 10:30 mass at end of session)

Dear Prep Parents,

Over the last few years, we have heard more than a few requests for a session of PREP to be offered on Sunday mornings. In discussing this with Father Redcay, we certainly want to make our PREP classes as accessible to families as possible, but we also gave much thought to the Mass schedule on Sunday morning, as well. We have decided to offer a Sunday morning PREP session, but Father and I both feel strongly that a child's attendance at PREP does not replace attendance at Holy Mass.

The Mass is our center of worship as Catholics, fulfilling the Lord's own command to "do this in memory of me." As Catholics, we keep the Lord's Day holy (3rd Commandment) by worshipping at our Sunday Mass. There is no, and never will be, a substitute for our Mass. While PREP is educational in regards to the faith, the Mass is worship of God.

So, if you choose the Sunday session for PREP, it is with the understanding that the children will still need to attend Mass. Since the session ends at 10:20, we will walk the children over to church for the 10:30 mass. We encourage you to celebrate mass as a family, so you can meet your child(ren) in church and attend mass together.

God bless you,

Sister Eileen



SAINT PATRICK PREP

VOLUNTEER FORM



Join us in building
Christ's body, the Church!

Dear Parents,

We are always in need of your help for the smooth running of our program. God has gifted you with many talents, please prayerfully consider helping in one of the following ways:

Weekly Commitment:

Catechist Takes responsibility to prepare each week's lesson and teach children.

Classroom Aide Assists the catechist with children and management of classroom.

Rotating Commitment:

Substitute Catechist Fills in for catechist as needed.

Office Helper Helps in office during PREP session; collects absentee forms; makes phone calls; monitors who is entering/leaving building.

Hall Monitor Maintains a safe atmosphere throughout the school building while children are in class.

Nursery Supervise young children of catechists while they teach.

Requirements: Love of God and of our Catholic Faith!

Likes to work with children!

****The Archdiocese of Philadelphia requires background checks and training in Ministerial Boundaries for all adults who work with or around children. We will guide all of our volunteers through the process of gaining these background requirements.**

****Sister Eileen will give training and guidance to those willing to teach as a catechist or aide.**

"I have been blessed to be a part of the St. Patrick's religious education. Becoming a catechist has been a rewarding experience for me. I am able to share my faith and love for God and our parish to the future adults of our community. The children inspire me, just as much as I may inspire them. Their love and faith in God is a beautiful reflection every week. I am delighted that I said YES to the opportunity to serve."
-- parishioner Stephanie, Catechist, Grade 5

"I have thoroughly enjoyed working as a Catechist aide in the PREP program! Working with the lovely PREP teachers and staff and the beautiful children brings me a lot of joy. I have also enjoyed reviewing the material being covered in class each week and find I learn something new at each class."

--parishioner Judy, Catechist Aide, Grade 5

I have prayed and decided I will help to pass on the faith to our children!

Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Position I am willing to assume: _____

***If it is a classroom position, please indicate preferred grade level (s): _____

Circle Child's PREP Session: Sunday 9:15 Monday 4:45 Monday 6:30

Please return the entire page in the enclosed envelope along with your child's registration form.

Please contact me with any questions. Looking forward to hearing from you!

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