

St. Mary of the Nativity Religious Education Program 2018-2019

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The mission of our Parish Religious Education Program is to consistently extend Jesus' invitation to discipleship and to provide our children with age appropriate catechesis guided by a biblical faith, the teaching of the Catholic Church, and a clear vision of the Gospel. This is accomplished by:

- Fostering family involvement
- Building upon children's life experiences
- Developing personal spirituality
- Involvement in liturgical celebrations and prayer
- Encouraging religious literacy and moral development
- Experiencing faith in a spirit of joy

St. Mary's Parish Religious Education Program is built on these beliefs:

- **Parents are first and foremost the primary teachers.** Through the parents, the faith is first handed on.
- The parish is called upon to support and extend the parents' role.
- The Parish Religious Education Program connects the home to the parish, family life to parish life, and family gatherings to parish gatherings.

GENERAL POLICIES

Registration:

PLEASE READ POLICY CHANGES CAREFULLY.

- **Families must be registered parishioners of St. Mary's to register in the Religious Education Program.** Parish registration cards are available at the rear of the Church, at the Parish Offices or at the Religious Education Office.
Documentation of baptism is required for all new children to the program. If your child was not baptized at St. Marys or St. Frances please include a copy of your child's baptism certificate with your registration. **Those children baptized at St. Marys or St. Frances do not need to submit a baptismal certificate as we have that information on file.**
- **All classes meet in the Parish Center. Classes for grades 1 through 10 will begin the week of Sunday, September 16th.** Please refer to the "Class Schedule" for your child's class day/time.

ATTENDANCE AND BEHAVIOR

- All students registered in the program are expected to attend classes as scheduled.
- Absence from class requires an email or a phone call to the Program Coordinator.
- Advancement to the next grade level depends on attendance at the current grade level.
- All students are expected to behave in an exemplary manner while participating in the program.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Reconciliation (Confession) and First Communion

- The sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion are celebrated at the completion of Grade 2.
- **Registration for Grade 2 requires attendance in a Parish program (St. Mary's or another parish) for the previous year. This is a two year preparation program.**
- Please contact Jane Kuklis at 781-545-3335 ext 212 or email jkuklis@stmaryscituate.org with questions.
- Parent's Meeting in September for Grades 1 and 2

Confirmation

- Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation is a two-year program.
- **Enrollment in the Grade 9 program is upon previous Religious Education attendance.**
- **PLEASE NOTE: All 9th and 10th grade students attending private, Catholic high school students must register in the Confirmation program.** All 9th and 10th grade candidates must attend all scheduled speakers and class times
- A letter will be sent home with the 9th and 10th grade schedule over the summer. All students must complete 15-20 Parish Ministry Volunteer (PMV) hours over the two-year program.
- Please email Bridget Dunn at bdunn@stmaryscituate.org or call 781-545-3335 ext 213 with questions.

Tuition Fees:

Our goal is to provide the youth of the Parish with a meaningful and enriching Religious Education Program. We are grateful for your support which allows us to work toward this goal. We maintain a reasonable budget and use your contributions wisely. Please note:

- The fees collected by the Religious Education Office provide the program with 50% of its operating budget.
- The balance of the costs of the program is supplemented by the entire Parish community through the weekly offertory collections.
- FAMILIES EXPERIENCING FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES ARE OFFERED FREE OR REDUCED TUITION. Please indicate on your registration form if you need financial assistance.
- Please note a change in tuition fees – Early Registration discount available if prior to July 20th.

Tuition Fees Prior to July 20th

1 child \$90 2 children \$160 3 children \$190 4 children \$215

Tuition Fees After July 23rd

1 child \$100 2 children \$175 3 children \$210 4 children \$240

In order for us to keep a current listing of students who attend our Religious Education Program, we ask each family to re-register their child/children each year. If we do not receive a re-enrollment form, we will assume your child is no longer attending our program.

St. Mary’s Religious Education CLASS SCHEDULE 2018-2019
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**** Please note class time change for grades 3-6 on Monday and Tuesday**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Grades 3 - 8 8:00 – 8:50 AM				
Grades 1 & 2 10:00 – 11:10 AM *see schedule	**Grade 3 3:45 – 4:45 PM	**Grade 5 3:45 – 4:45 PM		
Grade 9 5:30 – 6:30 PM *see schedule	**Grade 4 5:00 – 6:00 PM	**Grade 6 5:00 – 6:00 PM	Grades 7 5:00 – 6:00 PM	
Grade 10 6:45 – 7:45 PM *see schedule			Grades 8 6:15 – 7:15 PM	

Please post this schedule!!!!

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