



St. Edward the Confessor Church

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Dear Parents,

Parish School of Religion (PSR) classes for the 2017-18 school year will begin on August 14, 2017. Classes for students in all grades (K-11) will be held in our school building on **Mondays from 4:15 to 5:30 p.m.** Please bring your child to the gathering space beneath the bell tower in front of the church no later than 4:15 p.m., where your child's teacher will then meet your child. Please pick your child up from the gathering space in front of church when class is dismissed promptly at 5:30 p.m. Students in Grade 6 and younger must be escorted by an adult while walking across our parking lot at both arrival and dismissal. If your child is in 6th Grade or younger, please park your automobile and escort your child to and from our church's gathering space. At arrival, wait in the gathering space with your child until your child's teacher calls your child for class.

If your child was enrolled in our program last year and you are receiving this letter in the mail, you will find enclosed in this envelope a registration form for returning students with a form for new students on the reverse side (in case you may have a child who will begin attending classes this year). You must also familiarize yourself with our policies and procedures, which are contained in our PSR "Parent Handbook." If you have access to the internet, this handbook can be found in the "Parish School of Religion" section under the "Faith Formation" link of our parish website, www.steddy.org. You are encouraged to download and print this handbook from our website. This handbook is also available, by request, from our Church Office (aka Parish Center). Please keep the PSR Parent Handbook for reference throughout the year. The calendar schedule of classes for the year may be found on the back page of the PSR "Parent Handbook." Parents of high school students are to pay special attention to our "Service Project Requirements," which may be found on page ten of the "Parent Handbook."

Please note that children are expected to regularly attend these classes (or a Catholic school) for the entire length of their 1st and 2nd grade years in order to receive First Holy Communion during their 2nd grade year. Also, high school students are expected to regularly attend these classes (or a Catholic high school) for the entire length of their 9th, 10th, and 11th grade years in order to be confirmed during their 11th grade year. Eleventh grade students must register separately for Confirmation and have additional requirements to meet prior to receiving the sacrament of Confirmation. We strongly encourage ongoing formation in the Catholic Faith at all other ages as well.

Sincerely,

Trevor D. Huster
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