

St Mary of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Parish

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Family Formation for Kindergarten to Sixth Grade

"Parents, you have asked to have your child baptized. In doing so, you are accepting the responsibility of training him/her in the practice of the faith. It will be your duty to bring him/her up to keep God's commandments as Christ taught us, by loving God and our neighbor." (Baptismal Rite, 77)

Procedure:

- 1. **Attend** Parent-Child Session on Sunday. Parent(s) will meet with Fr Gries to go over the materials to help answer questions and resource the parents to fulfill their responsibility as primary catechist to your children. Children will go to breakout session with parish catechist to receive faith formation.
- 2. **Take-Home** Monthly Session Packets from the First Sunday session. Parents should look through packets.
- 3. **Schedule** Faith Formation Time for family. It is recommended that this is set for the same time each week, perhaps on Sunday to help sanctify the Lord's Day. A set day and time makes it more likely you will do it. If and when those rare conflicts arise, schedule an alternate time for your family.
- 4. **Meet** as a family to work through that week's Faith Formation Session. They are related to the Sunday Mass readings, so you can discuss and tie in the Faith Formation with Mass.

SCHEDULE FOR PARENT-CHILD SESSIONS

Sunday, October 02, 2016 from 8:40a-9:50a Sunday, November 06, 2016 from 8:40a-9:50a Sunday, December 04, 2016 from 8:40a-9:50a Sunday, January 08, 2017 from 8:40a-9:50a Sunday, February 05, 2017 from 8:40a-9:50a Sunday, March 05, 2017 from 8:40a-9:50a Sunday, April 02, 2017 from 8:40a-9:50a Sunday, May 07, 2017 from 8:40a-9:50a

Second Grade Special Sacramental Preparation Dates

- First Reconciliation Evening of Reflection Tuesday, December 6, 2016 start with 6:30p Mass
- First Communion Morning of Reflection Saturday, April 08, 2017 from 8:30a noon
- First Communion Mass Sunday, May 07, 2017 at 10a Mass

It goes without saying, but...

See you at Mass each Sunday!

Take advantage of the Sacrament of Reconciliation in Advent (Wednesday, December 14 @ 6:30p) and Lent (Thursday, March 9 @ 7p)