

Summer 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope that this letter finds you well. Preparations are currently being made for this coming year's Faith Formation Program. For those new to our program...welcome! To those who are returning this year, a renewed welcome to you, too. It is a great pleasure and honor for us to be able to assist you in passing along our Faith to your child(ren).

IN-PERSON LEARNING:

There are a few changes to our schedule for the 2023-2024 schedule. Grades 1 - 5 will meet on Monday afternoons/evenings and grades 6 – 8 will meet once a month on Sunday mornings beginning with Mass at 10:30 and ending at 12:30pm. A complete schedule of times and dates is attached.



- Grades 1 & 2 weekly on Mondays from 4:45pm 5:45pm
- * Grades 3 & 4 weekly on **Mondays** from 6:00pm 7:00pm
- * Grade 5 weekly on **Mondays** from 7:00pm 8:00pm
- Grades 6, 7 & 8 once a month on **Sundays** from 10:30am 12:30pm

HOME SCHOOL LEARNING

A homeschool option for those families who are unable to send their children due to scheduling conflicts will once again be offered. If you are interested in homeschooling your child(ren) please check that box off on the registration form. I will reach out with more information as time gets closer.

There will be NO HOMESCHOOL offered for <u>second grade students</u> because it is a sacramental year. <i>In second grade students will receive their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.

REGISTRATION

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CLASS ATTENDANCE

Attendance will be taken at each class session. If your child is unable to attend a class due to illness, please email me at <u>josephtatta@yahoo.com</u> or contact your child's teacher directly. Students with excessive absences may be required to repeat their current grade.

COMMUNICATION

As with any program, communication is very important. Hopefully you are already receiving parish emails from <u>office@resurrectionct.org</u>. If not, please forward your email address to <u>office@resurrectionct.org</u> and we will add you. The primary form of communication will be through email. Frequently, information is also posted on our Facebook page (Resurrection Church).

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - 9:00 MASS

The Children's Liturgy of the Word takes place from October – May at the 9:00 Mass. This is a perfect opportunity for your children to actively participate in, and learn a greater understanding of, the Mass. Although all children are encouraged to participate each week, grades 1 – 5 will be required to attend once a month. A detailed schedule will come out as soon as classes begin.

It is my hope and prayer that your child will have a wonderful, faithfilled experience this year. As parents, you are the primary educators of our Catholic Faith to your children. It is our job to assist you in the process. **We cannot take your place**. It would be most helpful if you



reinforced what is taught during class each week. It is also VERY important to bring your child(ren) to Mass each week. Class discussions and lessons are based on the Scripture Readings proclaimed at Mass.

Finally, my door is always open. If you need to talk, ask a question, or share a concern, don't hesitate to reach out. I would love to hear from you. I can be reached at (203) 265-1694, josephtatta@yahoo.com or by appointment.

With every good wish,

Joseph R. Tatta Pastoral Associate & Director of Faith Formation



Substitute teachers are always needed. Please email me at <u>josephtatta@yahoo.com</u> or call me at (203) 265-1694 if you are interested or would like more information.

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