



Saint George Roman Catholic Church

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." Heb.13:8

August 19, 2021

Welcome Back Faith Formation Families!

We look forward to *SEEING* everyone for faith formation classes this year. There is an updated schedule including in-person classes, whole family catechesis, and remote learning. Classes will be held on **Sundays from 10:30-11:30am, beginning on Sunday, September 26th** with a student and family gathering in the School cafeteria. *Please see the enclosed schedule.*

In-person classes for ages K-10th grade + Confirmation will focus on learning about our faith and our relationship with Christ. Families will meet in a large group setting with different topics each month geared to each member of the family. Our hope is that this gathering will give your family an opportunity to grow in faith together. Lastly, we will offer one Sunday for remote learning. This will give students the ability to work from home and expand upon what they learned in the classroom or in the family catechesis. This will also afford us the opportunity to go 100% remote if the need would arise.

Please note:

- **Confirmation** students (11th grade) will be meeting during the Faith Formation times described above. Confirmands will receive more information upon registration with guidelines and requirements for Confirmation. *A date has yet to be set for Confirmation 2022.*
- **First Holy Communion** (3rd grade) will take place on May 1, 2022. Faith Formation students will be joined by parish students from Saint George School for the retreat on April 23, 2022 followed by FHC on May 1, 2022. More information about requirements will be forthcoming.
- **First Reconciliation** (2nd grade) will operate the same as First Holy Communion. The retreat will be held on March 19 followed by First reconciliation on March 21. More information will be forthcoming.

Masking requirements will be in place according to the CDC guidelines for schools. As of August 4, 2021, the CDC recommends universal indoor masking for all students, staff, teachers, and visitors to K-12 schools, regardless of vaccination status. As things begin to change and the variant lessens, we will be in communication about the requirement.

We are excited for this upcoming year and all the new opportunities to grow closer in our relationship with Christ. Our prayer is that you and your families stay healthy and safe and enjoy these last few weeks of summer. If you should have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mike Palmer at mkpalm@yahoo.com or 814-860-6327.

Hope to see you all at the parish picnic, September 12th at Picnicana Park beginning with Mass at noon .

God Bless,

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P.S. If we have reached you in error; ie: you are attending another parish or your child will be receiving their sacraments elsewhere, please email Gretchen Kerr at gkerr@stgeorgeerie.org and we will adjust our records accordingly.