

SAINT GEORGE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Welcome back,

I look forward to seeing everyone for this year's faith formation classes. I cannot believe summer is already ending, and we will be back to our normal routines. Last year we took a chance and tried a new format. From the feedback that I received, many parishioners enjoyed the different opportunities to grow in their faith-as a family, and individually. This year we plan to continue under the same format. Faith formation classes with begin on September 18th. Classes will once again be on Sundays from 10:30-11:30 am. In-person classes will continue to focus on learning about our faith and our relationship with Christ. These will take place approximately twice per month. Once per month, we will be having a whole family catechesis. It will be in a large group setting with different topics each month that are geared toward each member of the family. My hope is that this will give each family an opportunity to come together and grow in their faith together. Lastly, we will offer one week of remote learning. This will give the students an opportunity to work from home and expand upon what they learned in the classroom or in the family catechesis.

One major change, however, is that Confirmation is in the process of being phased to 9th grade. This year, students entering 10th and 11th grades will make their Confirmation. They will need to participate in faith formation preparation classes. This includes those students who attend Catholic high school. Just as a reminder, the Diocese requires two years of preparation prior to entering the Confirmation year. The only exception is this year's 10th grade class because of this recent change.

I am excited for this upcoming faith formation year, and all the new opportunities for our whole faith formation family to grow closer in their relationship with Christ. I pray that you and your families stay healthy and safe, and enjoy these last few weeks of summer. Hope to see you all at the parish picnic September 11th!



God Bless, Mike Palmer, DRE

