



A ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF FAITH

THE CHURCH OF ST PAUL THE APOSTLE

Mother Church of the Paulist Fathers

Children's Faith Formation Registration Packet

This is an application packet for families who are already registered parishioner at St. Paul's and are registering their children for the first time in Religious Education at St. Paul's.

Programs Offered

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a program of spiritual development of the young child, which follows the principles of Montessori education.

Good Shepherd session is two hours long and is held on Sundays from 9:30-11:30.

The Catechesis of Good Shepherd, Level 1 is for children from 3 to 5 years of age.

Registration is limited to 12 children per class group. **Only level I will be offered at St. Paul's.**

Parents are asked to attend an orientation session before their child enters the Good Shepherd Program for the first time.

First Communion Preparation: Two years of attendance are required before receiving First Communion. A certificate of attendance in Catholic School will count for one year toward First Communion preparation in our parish. Regular classes are held on Sundays from 11:15 am to 12:20 pm. Children are placed in classes according to their age and grade in school.

Preparations for Confirmation: A child must be in seventh grade or older, and have attended two consecutive years of religious education before Confirmation. If a child attends Catholic school and wishes to be confirmed in our parish program, a certificate of attendance will count for one year toward preparation for Confirmation. Confirmation classes are held on Sundays from 11:15 am to 12:20 pm.

Religious Education Classes are offered for children in Grades 1 through 6, independently of sacramental preparation. These classes center on the themes of the Scriptures for mass and teach catechism, prayer, Church history, and living the Catholic faith. Grade-level classes are offered on Sundays from 11:15 am to 12:30 pm.

Requirements for Registration

- ❖ **Be an active registered parishioner of the Church of St. Paul the Apostle.** If you are new in our community or worship with us regularly and would like to be registered as a parishioner, please fill out a registration form.
- ❖ **For families registering for Religious Education at St. Paul's for the first time, the religious Education Registration Form is available at the parish receptionist's desk and Welcoming Center.**
- ❖ **Returning families will receive all registration information by email after August 24th. IF your children attended Religious Education at St. Paul's last year, PLEASE**

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DO NOT SUBMIT THE REGISTRATION FORM AGAIN. The duplication causes much extra work. Payment of your Religious Education fee will complete your registration.

- ❖ **A copy of the baptismal record of each child registering for Religious Education.** (Please call the religious Education Office to check if you believe that we already have your baptismal record on file.)
- ❖ Payment of Religious Education Fee by check or money orders to Church of Saint Paul the Apostle.

Religious Education Fees per school year 2023-2024

Family with one child in the program	\$135
Family with two or more children in the program	\$200

* **Additional fees for First Communion and Confirmation are not included in this figure.**

Register by mail or by returning the form, baptismal record and Religious Education fee to parish receptionist on or before August 10th. Mark the envelope “religious education”. Your registration will be confirmed by the last week of August.

Registration deadline is August 12th, 2023

Classes will meet for the first time on Sunday, September 17th, 2023 when students will receive their classroom assignment if we’re meeting in person and academic calendar for the year.