

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

July, 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope you are enjoying your summer! **Registration for 2022-2023 Faith Formation will open Monday, August 15 at 8 am and will close Monday, August 29 at noon.** Registration will take place online at www.saintvdp.org/ffregistration. Each program will have openings for volunteer ministers, so please consider signing up to help.

Below is a brief overview of this year's program options:

- **Grades 1-5:** Wednesday nights from 6:00 to 7:15 pm.
 - Includes 7 Family Faith Nights (once a month) starting October 5. For safety reasons students must be accompanied by a parent/guardian, though the entire family is invited to join these sessions.
- **Grades 6-10:** First night of Faith Formation for 6th-10th grade will be October 2 for opening Mass at 6:00 pm
 - 6th and 7th grade will meet in small groups at the parish on Sunday evenings from 6:00-7:30 pm.
 - 8th grade will start at the parish on Sunday evenings (6:00-7:30 pm) and may move to host homes (TBD).
 - 9th & 10th grade will meet in D-groups in host homes for the majority of our small group dates. They will meet at the Church for large group events such as our opening Mass, speakers, Adoration, Reconciliation, and retreats.

NOTE: If your child is enrolled at St. Vincent's School or another Catholic school in Grades 1-8, you **do not** need to register them for Faith Formation (Exception – if they are in **Grade 2** in a Catholic school other than SVDP, you must sign them up for **Sacraments Only** to receive First Reconciliation and First Communion Prep).

The registration deadline is August 29. Anyone after this date will be put on a waiting list and will be placed wherever there is an opening. Late registrations make it very difficult to start classes on time due to time constraints and the need to add catechists/materials to accommodate them. **Please note – Everyone (Gr 1-10) must sign up each year for Faith Formation.**

Don't forget to sign up to volunteer! You will receive free tuition for one child if you volunteer to be a regular Catechist, Team Catechist, Classroom Assistant, Hall Monitor (Grades 1-5), or Office Aide. Those volunteering will receive a refund check after registration is complete and classes start. **We cannot send out letters or start classes until we have the catechists needed.**

Please read the information pages provided online prior to registering. If you are experiencing financial difficulties and need to request a waiver or payment plan, you will need to register in person at the Parish Office by August 29.

Questions? Contact the appropriate coordinator:

- **Grades 1-5, First Reconciliation & First Eucharist:** Grant O'Neil 763-762-7406; grantoneil@saintvdp.org
- **Grades 6-10, Confirmation:** Nichole Chang 763-762-7370; nicholechang@saintvdp.org

We look forward to helping you and your children grow in faith this coming year!

Sincerely,

The Faith Formation Department at St. Vincent de Paul

Know and celebrate our Catholic Faith, Love God and our neighbor, Serve as disciples of Jesus Christ.

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