

## Religious Education Staff

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### Office Hours:

September - May	8:30am - 4:00PM	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
	1:00pm - 8:30PM	Wednesday
	9:00am - 11:00AM	Saturday
June - August	8:30am - 3:00PM	Monday through Friday

Voice mail is available if we are unable to take your call,  
Calls will be returned as soon as possible. (630) 682-4400 ext. 613

### Class Times and Locations:

WEDNESDAY:	4:00 - 5:15PM	K-5 <sup>th</sup>	School Hall
	5:45 - 7:00PM	K-5 <sup>th</sup>	School Hall
	6:30 - 8:30PM	6-8 <sup>th</sup>	Church
SATURDAY:	9:00 - 10:15AM	K-8 <sup>th</sup>	School Hall
SUNDAY:	9:30 - 10:30AM	Preschool	Sebahar Hall

### Emergency Closings

When the public school closes due to inclement weather, we will cancel Religious Ed classes. Please listen to WGN, WLS-AM radio and WFLD television or check [www.stjohnwinfield.org](http://www.stjohnwinfield.org) or [www.emergencyclosing.com](http://www.emergencyclosing.com) on the web. If the weather becomes inclement enough to cancel classes during the day we will notify the Emergency Closing System (above). In addition, a message will be left on the answering machine with closing information.

### Parish Mission Statement

*The People of St. John the Baptist Catholic Parish,  
are called by God to encounter God's Son, Jesus Christ,  
in word, sacrament, service and community  
through a stewardship way of life.*



**FROM VATICAN II**

*"Since parents have given children their life, they are bound by the most serious obligation to educate their offspring and therefore, must be recognized as the primary and principal educators. The role in education is so important that only with difficulty can it be supplied where it's lacking. Parents are the ones who must create a family atmosphere animated by love and respect for God and man, in which the well-rounded personal and social education of children is fostered."*

(Declaration on Christian Education)

**Religious Education Philosophy/Mission Statement**

Religious Education is primarily the responsibility of parents. Our Lectionary-based program builds on this family foundation and uses a life-centered approach throughout all levels of our program.

Parents, children and catechists are involved in the dynamic process of relating the experience of daily living to the insights of the Catholic Christian tradition. Along with this life-centered approach "to teach as Jesus did," the foundation of the Catholic faith is laid in prayer, scripture, service and doctrine.

Jesus often used the experiences of the people as the starting point of His parables. Catechists will use examples from the child's daily life to draw out the meaning of God's revelation and show its relevance to contemporary life.

## Goals

- To inspire SJB parishioners, adults and children, to develop Christian values and to personalize their Catholic faith through weekly Mass attendance, prayer experiences and prayer.
- To offer Parishioners ways to embrace stewardship as a way of life, by learning the teachings of Christ and His Church
- To raise awareness and to foster participation of parents in the formal Religious Education of their children
- To develop Christian spirit among all of our Parish children/teens

*“As each one has received a gift,  
use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace.”*

1 Peter 4:8-10

## Lectionary-Based Catechesis

Lectionary-Based Catechesis is a form of instruction based on the readings taken from the Sunday Lectionary. This helps children/teens grow in their faith and grow into our faith community. Every person, in all grades, studies the same Sunday scripture presented and developed for their age. Parents are able to talk with their children/teen about the Word of God. In the 6-8<sup>th</sup> grades we also incorporate instruction in Church Doctrine, Sacraments, Commandments, Prayer, and prepare students for the Sunday liturgy. We begin our weekly session by discussing or breaking open the Word, the Sunday readings. We encourage families to utilize their family Bibles as a source of further discussion.

## Stewardship

St. John the Baptist Parish embraces Stewardship as a way of life. We recognize the gifts we have received from God. In gratitude for these gifts, we share our time, talent, and treasure with our community. It is in sharing what we have that we truly model Christ to one another.

## Gift of Time and Talent

Sharing the gift of time and talent is an integral part of our faith. Even the very youngest child is encouraged to share their time and talent with the community. Age-appropriate service activities are planned for each grade. The most effective experience in Christian service is for the child to engage in service activities as a family.

The following opportunities are offered in our curriculum:

- ❖ Providing canned goods, paper products and cleaning supplies for SJB food pantry
- ❖ Planning and providing meals for needy families through St. Vincent de Paul
- ❖ Collecting school supplies for the missions and monies for shipment
- ❖ Purchasing Christmas gifts for needy families and participation in the Wish Tree
- ❖ Donating time at Convalescent Center, especially on Sunday morning, getting residents to Mass in their building, and returning them to their rooms
- ❖ Working at location for Feed My Starving Children
- ❖ Altar server (for girls and boys in 5<sup>th</sup> grade and up)
- ❖ Helping with receptions after First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation
- ❖ Babysitting during Missions/Retreats, 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation & 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist
- ❖ Helping the Knights of Columbus at the annual Christmas Party, County Fair, Picnic
- ❖ Helping with Parish Picnic, planting and maintaining flower beds on parish grounds
- ❖ Helping with Vacation Bible School
- ❖ Working with Bridge Communities, Sleep Out Saturday,
- ❖ Making and sending birthday cards for our senior citizens
- ❖ Making Welcome to Our Parish cards for the newly baptized

Children receive the most benefit from participating in service projects when parents explain and involve them in the planning of what they will be able to do. Service is a way of life, and should be done every year.

There is a mandatory service activity for the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Your teen will be rotated out of the large group for a service experience; 7<sup>th</sup> grade will meet in Sodonna Hall, lower level of the Parish Offices and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade will meet at the DuPage County Convalescent Center. Parents are to drop off their teen at the DuPage facility at 6:20 p.m. and pick him/her up at 8:20 p.m. The same **Standards for Behavior** will be in effect while participating in service.

We encourage and expect each family to volunteer for one opportunity during the school year. There is a volunteer sign up form that you received with your registration packet. If you did not have the opportunity to fill one out and would like to, please call the REO.

### **Gift of Treasure**

In addition to sharing time and talent, true stewardship encourages us to give from our treasure. As a component of Stewardship your child will be offered a box of weekly envelopes in November. Each envelope gives the opportunity for your child to list his/her gifts of time, talent, and treasure. Encourage your child to place their envelope in the Sunday collection.

We ask the children to make sacrifices during Lent and Advent in order to give donations in support of other service ministries. If money is a requirement for the service, parents are asked to have the child earn the money they donate.

Families are encouraged to share their time, talent, and treasure not only within our parish, but to outreach as well.

### **Parent Role and Responsibility**

The Religious Education program is a service to parents. We aid parent/s in their Christian responsibility to raise and educate their children in the Catholic Christian tradition. With encouragement and reinforcement of class activities in the home, the children will truly personalize their Faith. It becomes part of their lives rather than a segment of time on Wednesday, Saturday, or Sunday. *"Word and example are the first preachers of the Faith to their children."* (Vatican II Church, #11).

In support of our program the following is asked from all of our families:

- Participate at Mass on Sundays/Holy days and receive the Sacraments. Your support of the church in time, talent and treasure is essential.
- Pray with your child/ren daily and stress the power of prayer.
- Parents are asked to volunteer in their children's class: as a catechist aide, a substitute catechist or as an office helper. We encourage you to visit your child's class at least twice a year, to see what your child and the class are doing!
- Show interest each week in what your child is learning. Spend time each week reviewing the gospel readings and the lessons from the Pflaum flyers – your responsibility is not just "drop-off and pick-up" model for them how you live the Gospel.
- Make sure your child comes to class each week with their Bible, binder and homework.
- Help your child be conscientious about the homework given. Memorization of prayers is necessary. Please check grade level for prayers being learned this year. Memorized prayers include: The Sign of the Cross; Lord's Prayer; Hail Mary; Apostles' Creed; Acts of Faith, Hope, and Charity; the Prayer of Sorrow; Glory Be; Nicene Creed; and Prayer to the Holy Spirit.
- If your child is unable to attend a class, please be sure to do the Pflaum Gospel Weekly as a family and return to the catechist completed. Be sure to call your child in absent to the REO.

### **Communication with Parents**

Communication between the parents, child/teen, Catechist and the Religious Education Office is vital to the success of the program. Student's progress is evaluated at the end of each semester and mailed home. A monthly Family Newsletter is sent home using email. Special notes may be distributed to students during class time. Always ask your child for any correspondence and check your email.

## Personal Conference

The Religious Education Director and Catechists are always ready to receive anyone who wants to discuss, share ideas, suggestions and solve problems. Please call and make an appointment that is convenient for you. To make an appointment with Maureen, please call 682-4400 X 612. If you wish to speak with a catechist, call 682-4400 X 613 and leave a message with MaryEllen. MaryEllen will contact the Catechist and have her/him call you back.

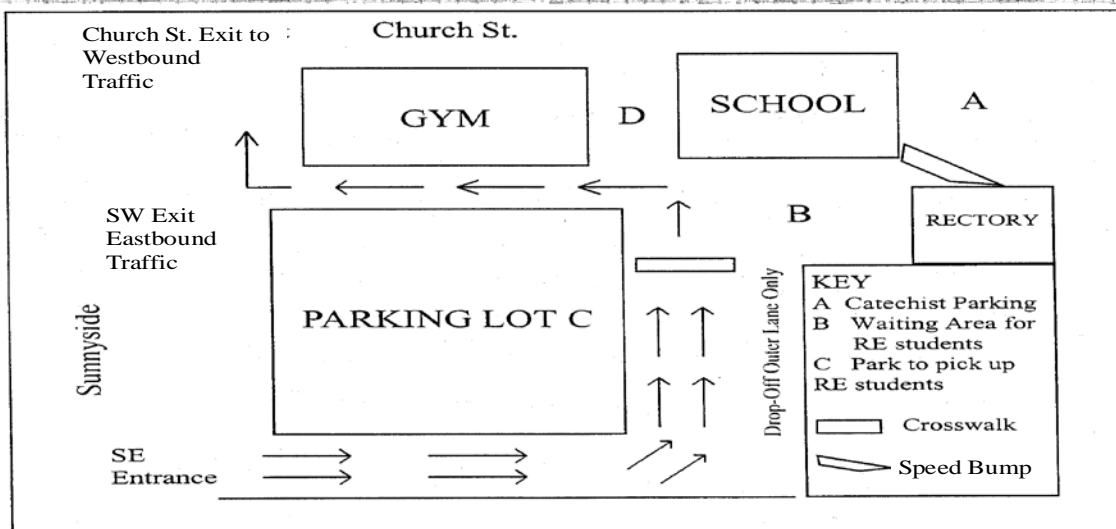
### Please notify the REO if you have a change of home/email address or telephone number. Drop Off and Pick Up Procedure

Our drop off and pick up procedure remains the same. We ask you to enter the parking lot from Sunnyside through the **southeast** entrance. Please form one lane and proceed in a large circle around the parked cars, until you arrive at the drop off point. A member of our staff will direct all cars. Please do not let your child out of the car unless you are in the drop off zone. **At no time should a child walk between cars.** After drop off, exit the parking lot; back out onto Church St., using the driveway south of the gym. Follow the same procedure to pick up your child. If you choose to walk your child to the door, please park your car in parking lot C and wait until the staff person allows you to cross at the crosswalk. **For safety purposes – no child will be able to walk into any parking lot without a parent or guardian walking with them.** Please **do not** drop your child (K-5) off in the front of the school building or along the side between the school and the Church.

6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students may also be dropped off, in front of the Church along Church Street to enter into the Church. For those picking up at 7 p.m. as well as dropping off, your teen can walk over to the Church from the back parking lot. **For the safety of all children- At no time will a child/teen be allowed to walk to the Liberty Street lot without a parent. Do not drop off your teen driving south on Church Street and please do not ask your teen to meet you after class on Church Street. There is no security or proper lighting in the front of the school and around the church.**

Catechists at the 4:00 and 6:30 sessions park in the lot between the Church and school. Catechists at 5:45 park in the East lot!

### Parents do not park in the areas reserved for Catechists.



## Entering and Leaving the Building

- K-5<sup>th</sup> students must enter the school building through the northeast school entrance, door #10
- Students go directly to the school hall, assemble as a class with their Catechist and Aide
- At the end of class Catechists/and or aides will escort students to the same door #10, **Students are dismissed through the northeast school doors only! Kindergarten students are dismissed from door # 9, using the ramp to the lot.**
- 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students should respectfully enter the church and sit with their class and leave church with their catechist in a respectful manner to class site
- For safety reasons, running is not permitted at any time in the school or church buildings
- Parents pick up their children/teens in the coned off area. In inclement weather you may meet your child in the school lobby at the northeast school doors
- For safety reasons, under no circumstances will students be allowed to be picked up at the front of the school building, chapel or Church nor off of Liberty Street.

### Attendance Policy

- Your child/teen is expected to attend every class and to be on time. Please contact the REO if your child/teen is going to be absent. Parents will be called if no phone call is received from the family. If you forget, we will call to make sure the child is okay and with you. If a message is left on your phone, a return call would be appreciated.
- When a child is absent the child/teen is responsible for acquiring and completing missed work; completed work is to be signed by the parent and turned in to the catechist.
- Two (2) absences without notification indicate a need for a parent/director conference
- Three (3) absences in a semester questions the readiness for reception of sacraments or advancement to the next grade level
- Four (4) consecutive absences indicate a withdrawal

All tardiness or early dismissals must be cleared with the REO

### Registration Procedure

Registered families who enroll their child/teen in our Religious Education Program must first register at the Finance Office in the Parish Office Building. The following items are necessary for each child/teen when registering:

Completed Registration Form  
Copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate \*  
Completed Medical Release Form  
Tuition/material Fee

\* **A baptismal certificate is required for all students upon initial registration.** If your child was baptized at St. John's, please provide the date of Baptism to the Religious Education Office.

### Medical Release Form

Annually, we request each family complete a Medical Release form. The Medical Release form allows the Religious Education Staff or anyone in charge to administer first aid and transport the child/teen when appropriate to treat a medical emergency. The form states that the parent/guardian will be notified promptly in the event of a serious illness or accident. This form is included in the Registration package.

### Classroom Guests

Children/teens may bring a guest to class with permission from the parent, the Catechist and the Director of Religious Education. The Religious Education Office has guest permission slips that need to be filled out and handed in no later than the week prior to the visit. Unfortunately, last minute guests are not allowed to visit.

## Classroom Snacks

Please provide healthy snacks when asked to bring a treat. We do, however, have students in school and religious education that are seriously allergic to peanuts. No one should bring a snack that contains peanuts, peanut oil or peanut butter. This ensures a safe environment for all of our children/teens. Your cooperation is appreciated.

## Standards for Behavior

*"Where there is no vision the people get out of hand; happy are they who keep the law."*

Proverbs 29:18

Discipline is integral - it promotes within each child the development of a solid system of moral values. Good discipline is based on the fundamental Christian principle of thoughtfulness and responsibility toward others.

Parents please review the following guidelines with each child/teen. Impress on them the importance of respecting others and other's property. During the first session, each catechist will establish with his/her group their Rules of Behavior. Each child/teen will sign this contract. A copy of this contract will be sent home for the parents to sign and return to the catechist at their next session.

- This is your parish – take pride in belonging and respect the buildings and people within. All private property on the premises must not be disturbed.
- Each of us is unique and valued individuals to be respected. Children/teens must respect the rights of catechists, their aides, fellow classmates, and guests in the classroom through action and language. Appropriate behavior is expected in Church, class, and any other meeting area.
- Children/teens bring their binder and Bible to every class. Parents / children/teens are required to replace lost or destroyed materials.
- Appropriate clothing is expected. Clothing with alcohol, cigarette, profanity and/or sexual references will not be tolerated. No hats or gum chewing will be allowed on the grounds or in the buildings.

A positive atmosphere is encouraged throughout the year. Children/teens disrupting this atmosphere are disciplined in the following manner:

**1st. Offense** – Child/teen is removed from the class/function and taken to the REO. Depending on severity of problem, a talk with DRE regarding the offence usually is sufficient. Missing work must be made up.

**2nd. Offense** - In addition to the above, a call is placed to the parent/s to come immediately and pick up the child/teen. A conference between the DRE, the Catechist and the parent is scheduled.

**3rd. Offense** - Permanent removal from the program for the remainder of the program year.

When a child/teens classroom behavior does not meet the Standards of Behavior policy they are asked to choose the family based religious education alternative. The above policy is in effect for all Religious Education and Youth Ministry functions. It is enforced at the discretion of the staff.

## An Alternative to the Traditional Religious Education Program

### At Home Family Based Religious Education

Family based religious education is an option for families who wish to share their faith with their children at home rather than a traditional classroom setting. "As primary educators of their children, parents have the right and the duty to choose the kind of educational environment that they determine best suits their children's educational needs." (NDC p.259) "Parents who provide catechesis for their children in their homes should *participate fully in the life of the local parish. They should celebrate the Sunday Eucharist, involve themselves in its charitable works, and attend appropriate training and formation sessions the parish or diocese provides.*" (NDC p. 260)

There are additional responsibilities associated with participation in the **AT HOME** program. These are outlined in the covenant, which your family is asked to sign. They are:

- **Attendance at the 2 Generations of Faith events** - These are offered throughout the year. For more information and a list of dates, please see the section titled Generations of Faith.
- **A family journal** - If you are doing the At-Home program with a Preschooler, Kindergartener or 1<sup>st</sup> grader, you are asked to do a weekly journal. This is to be turned in quarterly to the REO.
- **Quarterly review sheet, called “HOW AM I DOING?”** - For families with children in 2<sup>nd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grades. This is included in the teacher’s guide. This is to be completed and turned in to the REO at the end of each quarter.
- **Family Service Opportunity Participation Sheet**– Families are asked to do 2 service projects together during the school year. These sheets will be distributed at the beginning of the year, should be returned to the REO as soon as completed.

**Please note** - if your child is in a Sacrament year (2<sup>nd</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, or 8<sup>th</sup>); you are responsible for attending the Sacrament preparation meetings in **addition** to the Generations of Faith events.

**If you do not complete the requirements listed above, your child will not be able to advance to the next grade level.**

Should your family be unable or unwilling to complete to the guidelines listed above, we do have openings in our traditional classroom based program, please contact the REO for assistance.

## **Other Religious Education Programs and Activities for Children/Teens.**

### **NEW Sunday Morning Pre-School PROGRAM**

Sunday Morning Pre-school classes are held in Sebahar Hall during 9:30 AM Mass. New this year is the Allelu! Program. Christ-centered and age appropriate lessons features activities, Bible stories, music, crafts, prayer and games. In addition, the families are given a weekly placemat to use at home, reinforcing positive family rituals and sharing faith. For more information contact Jeanne Hess at [sundaymorningpreschool@yahoo.com](mailto:sundaymorningpreschool@yahoo.com)

### **Liturgy of the Word for Children - “Gather the Children”**

Children “K” through 5<sup>th</sup> grades are invited to join the “Gather Ministers” during the 9:30 Mass to participate in a children’s Liturgy of the Word. They rejoin their families for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. The children hear the Sunday Readings in age appropriate language. They participate in ritual songs and gestures. This provides an opportunity for understanding the readings the children hear in class. Teens and pre-teens are encouraged to be “Gather lectors” and help with supervision. For more information contact Brandon Gavin at 682 4400 x 613.

### **6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades T.G.I.F. (Teens Growing in Faith)**

Our program for 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade junior high teens meets on alternating weeks: 6<sup>th</sup> grade on one Wednesday and 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade on the opposite Wednesday-from 6:30–8:30 PM. We provide opportunities for formation, community life, service, leadership development, and prayer/worship experiences. Our goal is to provide teens with a Christian environment to socialize, learn, and grow. Activities can include service projects and fun nights/dances. The calendar and monthly newsletters show the meeting day for each grade along with other information. Topics covered in 6<sup>th</sup> grade are Sacraments; in 7<sup>th</sup> grade is Jesus Christ, Trinity and Kingdom of God; and 8<sup>th</sup> grade covers Morality, The Church and Revelations. Both 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade also take part in service; 7<sup>th</sup> grade is located on campus and 8<sup>th</sup> grade does service at the DuPage Convalescent center.

## **Generations of Faith**

### **Intergenerational Life-Long Faith Formation**

“Generations of Faith” is an opportunity for all members of the parish, from preschoolers to senior citizens, to participate in a fun way of learning and sharing our faith. “Generations of Faith” is being offered twice this year, once before Advent and once in Lent. During each session everyone comes together to pray, to share a light meal, to learn and to grow in faith through common experiences, with age-specific learning and interactive sharing. The dates and themes for this upcoming year are:

Thursday November 17<sup>th</sup> 5:30-8PM *Advent Around the World*

Saturday February 18, 2012 9-11:30AM *Lent*

Please call to register so that we can have sufficient supplies for the event. It is a terrific opportunity for you and your family to experience and learn about your faith together.

### **The PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN™ Program:**

“The Ad Hoc Committee for Sexual Abuse of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) developed the document *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*. It was approved by the full body of U.S. Catholic bishops at its June 2005 General Meeting and has been authorized for publication.”

Out of concern for the safety and well-being of children, every diocesan, parish, school or religious education employee/volunteer who has significant or sustained contact with children is to participate in the Protecting God's Children Program, a two-hour seminar designed to protect children from sexual abuse. The seminar will identify the risks and give information to prevent child sexual abuse from occurring. All adult volunteers working with children are mandated by Bishop Imesch to attend this seminar and to complete a form whereby agreeing to a background check.

Of all the safe environment programs available, Protecting God's Children was selected for the Joliet Diocese. It was determined to be the best possible program primarily because it is comprehensive, professional and appealing. Additional Information Related to Protecting Children at the Diocese of Joliet:

Go to <http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/protecting.asp>

### ***Talking About Touching: A Personal Safety Curriculum***

The *Talking About Touching* program focuses on teaching children basic skills that will help keep them safe from dangerous or abusive situations. Parents can make every effort to provide a safe environment for children, but they cannot always be there to protect children from exposure to every dangerous or abusive situation.

At each grade level, 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade, the program addresses the subject of child sexual abuse within a general framework of safety. The safety topics include walking safety, fire safety and gun safety. Within this context, lessons that emphasize the positive aspects of touch in children's everyday life are presented. The overall focus on safety, rather than sexuality, helps defuse the potentially difficult nature of talking to children about sexual abuse. The following is the scope and sequence for grades 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup>:

- Unit 1: increase children's' knowledge of and adherence to rules that will help keep them safe.
- Unit 2: strengthen children's ability to distinguish safe touch and unsafe touch and to increase their knowledge of safety rules about touching.
- Increase children's ability to stand up for themselves in an assertive, but not aggressive, way and to ask for help in difficult, uncomfortable, or dangerous situations.

Grades 4-6 will see a video, *Yes You Can Say No* that is a dramatic video showing children modeling protective, assertive behavior in a number of believable safety situations, including the prevention of sexual assault.

Parents will be notified the exact dates of presentation, if a parent chooses not to participate in the program, they are asked to keep their child at home that day.

The Talking About Touching program recognizes the key role parents play in protecting children from abuse. The parent video, *What Do I Say Now?* will be shown for parents early in the school year. By using a safety orientation when talking with children about sexual abuse, teachers and parents are able to reinforce the same strategies and vocabulary at school and at home.

## Religious Education Class Dates 2011-2012

### **Welcome Back Night Thursday Sept 1, 2011 7PM Church**

#### Wednesday

##### **Classes will meet on:**

September 14 (6<sup>th</sup>)  
September 21 (7/8<sup>th</sup>)  
September 28 (6<sup>th</sup>)  
October 5 (7/8<sup>th</sup>)  
October 12 (6<sup>th</sup>)  
October 19 (7/8<sup>th</sup>)  
October 26 (6<sup>th</sup>)  
November 2 (7/8<sup>th</sup>)  
November 9 (6<sup>th</sup>)  
November 16 (7/8<sup>th</sup>)  
November 23 (no RE)  
November 30 (6<sup>th</sup>)  
December 7 (7/8<sup>th</sup>)  
December 14 (6<sup>th</sup>)  
December 21 (no RE)  
December 28 (no RE)  
January 4 (no RE)  
January 11 (no RE)  
January 18 (7/8<sup>th</sup>)  
January 25 (6<sup>th</sup>)  
February 1 (no RE)  
February 8 (7/8<sup>th</sup>)  
February 15 (6<sup>th</sup>)  
February 22 (Ash Wed. 6/7/8th gr)  
February 29 (7/8<sup>th</sup>)  
March 7 (6<sup>th</sup>)  
March 14 (7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>)  
March 21 (6<sup>th</sup>)  
March 28 (no RE) Spring Break  
April 4 (no RE) Holy week  
April 11 (7/8<sup>th</sup>)  
April 18 (6<sup>th</sup> gr)  
April 25 (7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>) (last Class)

#### Saturday

##### **Classes will meet on:**

September 17  
September 24  
October 1  
October 8  
October 15  
October 22  
October 29  
November 5  
November 12  
November 19  
November 26 (no RE)  
December 3  
December 10  
December 17  
December 24 (no RE)  
December 31 (no RE)  
January 7, 2012 (no RE)  
January 14 (no RE)  
January 21  
January 28  
February 4  
February 11  
February 18 (no RE)  
February 25  
March 3  
March 10  
March 17  
March 24  
March 31 (no RE) Break  
April 7 (no RE) Holy Sat.  
April 14  
April 21  
April 28 (last Class)

#### Sunday

##### **Classes will meet on:**

Sept 18 (no Preschool)  
Sept 25 (Preschool Open House)  
October 2  
October 9 (no Preschool)  
October 16  
October 23  
October 30  
November 6  
November 13  
November 20 (no Preschool)  
November 27 (no Preschool)  
December 4  
December 11  
December 18 (Christmas Program)  
December 25 (no Preschool) Christmas  
January 1, 2012 (no Preschool) New Years  
January 8  
January 15  
January 22  
January 29  
February 5  
February 12  
February 19 (no Preschool)  
February 26 (no Preschool)  
March 4  
March 11  
March 18  
March 25  
April 1 (no Preschool) Spring Break  
April 8 (no Preschool) Easter  
April 15  
April 22  
April 29 (last Preschool)

### Junior High Religious Education Dates 2011-2012 Wednesdays at 6:30-8:30 every other week

#### **6<sup>th</sup> Grade meet:**

9/14, 9/28, 10/12, 10/26, 11/9, 11/30, 12/14, 1/25, 2/15, 2/22 Ash Wed. Mass, 3/7, 3/21, 4/18.

#### **7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade meet:**

9/21, 10/5, 10/19, 11/2, 11/16, 12/7, 1/18, 2/8, 2/22 Ash Wed. Mass, 2/29, 3/14, 4/11, 4/25

### Home Schooled Students need to attend Generation of Faith on the following dates:

Thursday Nov. 17, 2011 -topic Advent Around the World, dinner 5:30, presentation 6:15 – 8PM

Saturday Feb. 18, 2012 – 9-11:30Am topic is Lent