

St. Joseph Parish

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you for your consideration of St. Joseph Parish Religious Formation Program. We as a parish hope to assist you in your training of your child in ways of faith. Our program is structured on consistent attendance from level one through Confirmation.

Due to a movement in the diocese, we will be implementing some changes in our program. We will refer to each year as a "level" of instruction, as oppose to a grade. A grade at school does not always correspond with a child's level of knowledge of his/her faith. Starting in September, before students can enter into the sacramental year of Reconciliation and First Communion, it is expected that they complete level one or a year of the Mary's Children program. In addition, starting in 2017-18, Reconciliation instruction will be a full year and First Eucharist will be the following year.

Because of our limited resources of volunteer teachers and space availability, we hope to be able to meet your family needs. You can assist us in making registration easier by giving this letter your prompt response and consideration.

1. Families must be registered in the parish.
2. Parents must complete a registration form for each child.
3. Class placements are awarded on a "first come, first serve basis."
4. Classes will begin on Sunday, September 18, 2016.
5. Registrations are due by September 1st
6. Student placements will be posted on the bulletin board outside room 106 on the weekend of September 10/11.

It is very important to list the sacraments each child has received. If you are unsure of the actual date, simply mark the month and year of the sacrament and be sure to list the church's name and city.

If your child is entering Reconciliation, First Communion, or the Confirmation Program: we need a recent (no more than six months old) Baptismal Certificate for them. Please contact the child's Church of Baptism to obtain this copy. This is a record keeping requirement of the Diocese of Manchester. The Baptism Certificate must contain the church seal and may be sent directly to the address listed above or delivered to our parish office at 200 Pleasant Street. Baptismal Certificates must accompany the registration form. **No placement will be made until we have a current Baptismal Certificate.**

The registration fee is \$70 and not to exceed \$160 per family. Payment is expected to accompany all registrations. Please call the office (603-679-8805) if you have financial concerns, for no child is denied a religious education due to money constraints.

Checks should be made payable to: St. Joseph Parish.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you and your family. It is our honor and privilege to assist you in teaching your children about our rich Catholic faith traditions.

St. Joseph Religious Education Registration 2016-2017

The registration fee is \$70 and not to exceed \$160 per family and checks should be made out to **St. Joseph Parish**. Payment will be expected to accompany all registrations. No placement will be made until registration fees have been paid or other arrangements have been made with the Religious Education Office. Please contact the Religious Education Office if you have financial concerns.

Please circle the class you wish your child to attend on the back. Please note that class sizes are limited and placements will be made on a first come basis.

Child's Name _____ Date of Birth & Place _____

Sex ___ Grade - Sept. 2016 _____ School _____

Sacraments received: Baptism Reconciliation Eucharist

Church of Baptism _____ Date _____

Church of First Communion _____ Date _____

A **Baptismal Certificate** *must* accompany this registration form for all children entering a sacramental year (First Reconciliation, First Communion, or Confirmation) if they were not baptized at St. Joseph in Epping. The Certificate must be an original containing the Church Seal and having been issued no more than 6 months ago. **No placement will be made until we have a current Baptismal Certificate.**

Home Address

Street _____ Town _____ Zip Code _____

Mailing Address (if different from home address)

Street _____ Town _____ Zip Code _____

E-Mail address (for communication with the office and teachers) _____

Father's Name _____ Religion _____

Home Phone _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Mother's Name _____ Religion _____

Home Phone _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Mother's Maiden Name _____ Child Lives with _____

To best meet the needs of your child, are there any medical or academic issues that we should be aware of? _____

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