

Our Lady of Lourdes Parents,

I am so excited to report that the diocese is allowing us to have in-person School of Religion classes and I am equally excited that so many of you responded to our survey that you were comfortable sending your child to in-person classes for SOR. And I can't tell you how excited all our SOR catechists are to be back working with the children of our parish and learning more about our amazing catholic faith!

This is a little long, but there is a lot of information to share! At the bottom will be the link to register online at our parish website.

1. Our classes will begin on Sunday, Oct. 4 this year for Grades 1st -- 8th. We will NOT be offering classes for Kindergarten this year.
2. Class time will be from 11:15-12:30. We are NOT going to be allowed to gather as a large group to begin class this year as we did last year. So we are asking parents to please not send their child straight over from mass. Please hold onto your child(ren) until 11:15am. The door will automatically unlock at 11:15am and this is when students can begin coming to class. Everyone must wear a facemask when entering and exiting the building.
3. In the classrooms we will have students use hand sanitizer when entering, exiting, and any other time necessary. Students will not share supplies like crayons, pencils, scissors, etc. We will socially distance students as much as is possible in each classroom, the goal being 3-6 feet. If students are NOT 6 ft apart in the classroom they will need to wear their masks in class as well. Additionally anytime the class may be up and moving in the classroom or working in partners or small groups, students will wear their masks. Teachers will wear masks as well if not socially distanced from the class.
4. The parish will provide a small snack that will be individually wrapped for each child each Sunday.
5. We will have a new curriculum this year! This new curriculum is from St. Mary's Press. In addition to the print materials we will use it also has an online platform as well, so IF we ever need to move to virtual SOR this year we will be able to continue lessons in our curriculum on the online platform.
6. It is vitally important that parents register their child online as soon as possible so we can have a true count of students to prepare each classroom. Please use the link below

to our parish website. You will see a large icon for School of Religion registration and if you'd like you can pay online as well. SOR registration fees are \$40 per student, up to \$90 maximum per family for Grades 1-8. Confirmation class has a separate fee.

7. Here is the link to registration: <http://www.ourladyoflourdesharrisonville.org/>

8. If you have questions or concerns about the upcoming School of Religion year, please email or call me. All my information is listed below.

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