

**St. Bernard, St. Ann, St. James  
& St. Margaret Mary Family of Parishes**

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July 29, 2022

**WELCOME NIGHT FOR PSR is**  
**September 19<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m.**  
**at Saint Bernard Parish**

Dear Parents:

All children in **grades K-8** are invited to join our **Parish School of Religion (also known as CCD)**. During these meetings, our catechists will share information about our Catholic faith, they will pray with the children, and they will discuss God's love for all of us and how we can be faithful Catholic Christians in the world.

We will begin catechetical instruction in **September** and continue until mid-December (Grades 3-6). Kindergarten, First Grade and Sacrament preparation are on a different schedule. SEE OTHER SIDE FOR DETAILS. Family Formation Nights will happen twice this year. Once during Lent, and a second family catechesis night during the Easter Season.

**Why the change? Because something new is COMING IN JUNE 2023!**

**PSR/CCD PROGRAM & REGISTRATION FOR 2022-23**

To ease into the new PSR/CCD 2023-24 program, we will have an abbreviated program this year. For most, weekly classes beginning in September and will end in mid-December. There will be two additional Family Formation nights, one during Lent and the other during the Easter season. To register for the 2022-23 program, please fill out and return the enclosed forms, along with your

**family registration fee of \$50 by Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

Your promptness in registration is necessary so that we can order the right number of textbooks and enough supplies. If you have any questions, please contact me. Financial aid is available.

**PSR/CCD PROGRAM FOR 2023-24 – Summer Program & Family Formation**

With the new Family of Parishes comes new opportunities! We have decided to begin working toward a combination of periodic family meetings during the school year and an immersive catechetical experience for two weeks during the summer (June). The new summer program will include catechesis, prayer, arts and crafts, liturgical music and lots of excitement and fun! All four parishes will be a part of this program. Registration for the new PSR will be sent out Easter 2023. We will begin the 2023-24 catechetical year with the summer program in June of 2023. Having had the experience of running such a program in the past, I can tell you that the kids learn so much and really enjoy themselves! The family formation nights (approx. every 2 months) will carry on during the following school year and will continue the tradition of family faith formation.

**SACRAMENT PREPARATION FOR FIRST COMMUNION/PENANCE OR CONFIRMATION:**

Sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation and First Communion, and Confirmation will be separate and will happen during the school year. SEE THE BACK FOR MORE DETAILS. Second grade and junior high students will have regular catechesis during the summer program in addition to their separate sacrament preparation. 2<sup>nd</sup> grade catechesis will be on Sunday mornings and Confirmation will remain on Monday evenings. The class meetings will continue into 2023.

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## **CLASS DETAILS BY CATEGORY:**

### **Kindergarten & First Grade**

(Open to all parish family members)

SUNDAY 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

(September – April)

### **Second Grade Sacrament Preparation**

(Open to all parish family members)

SUNDAY 9:30 – 10:45 a.m.

(September – April)

### **Third, Fourth, Fifth & Sixth Grade**

(Open to all parish family members)

MONDAY 7:00 – 8:15 p.m.

(September – December)

### **Seventh & Eighth Grade Sacrament**

Preparation for Confirmation (Year 2)

(Closed class, except with permission)

MONDAY 6:45 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

(September – March)

### **All Students & Families**

FAMILY FORMATION NIGHTS

Lent & Easter – dates & location TBA

**Specific schedule will be handed out at the **Welcome night**  
on **Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.****

**Meet in Church for Opening Prayer Service & Parent Meeting**

*Blessings,*

*Mrs. Barbara Yoder*

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