

Faith Formation Office telephone: 516-694-0633 email: stkilianre@gmail.com

Hours: Monday – Thursday 9am – 3pm and when classes are in session.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FOR PARENTS

How do I enroll my child for classes?

Online enrollment begins in May each year for the term beginning in September.

Families new to St. Kilian Religious Education must join the parish. [Click here to join the parish.](#) You may also call our office to have a new family registration form mailed or faxed to you.

Once you have registered with the parish, you may enroll your child(ren) for classes. [Click here for the enrollment form](#) or, if needed, we can mail you the enrollment packet or you can pick it up from our office.

What if my child has special needs?

Our registration forms have space for information from families regarding learning disabilities, physical disabilities, allergies, etc. We alert catechists to any allergies a child may have so special care may be taken. Special needs children are either assigned to a one-on-one experience or mainstreamed with their regular class and may have a parent/aide who works in class with the child.

Do I have to be a registered member of the parish to register my child?

Yes. If you are not registered, please contact the rectory at 516-249-0127 or join via the parish website [here](#).

When are classes in session?

Classes are offered on the following days and times:

- Monday 4:30pm – 5:30 Grades 3, 4 and 5
- Monday 6pm – 7pm Grades 2 through 6
- Thursday 4:30pm – 5:30pm Grades 3, 4 and 5
- Thursday 6pm – 7pm Grade 7
- Saturday 9:30am – 10:30am Grade 2

What is the attendance policy?

Children may have no more than 3 excused absences. An absence is excused when a parent calls the office by 3pm on the day of the class. Repeating a level may be required if children have excessive absences. You are responsible for helping your child catch up with any work missed due to absence. Please call the office about serious illnesses that may require a longer absence.

What are the requirements for my child to receive the Sacraments?

1st Penance and 1st Communion require two years of preparation including levels 1 and 2.

Confirmation requires all faith formation years up to and including level 6. Confirmation preparation begins at level 6 and continues through level 7 and culminates in special events leading to Confirmation during the Fall of level 8.

What materials does my child need to bring to class?

Children need to come to class with their textbook, completed homework pages when assigned, pencil or pen, and notebook. Homework assignments are on the back of the grade level teaching calendar, which is distributed in class on the first day of class.

Can my child bring a drink and snack to class?

No snacks, drinks, or water bottles are permitted in class.

What is the policy regarding cell phones/electronic devices?

Children are not permitted to use electronic devices while in the building. If a child uses these devices during class, the device will be taken by the catechist, and the parent will have to pick it up the next day at the Office. If a child must contact a parent, this must be done in the Faith Formation Office.

What is the drop off and pick up policy for children attending classes?

Children in grades 1 through 6 must have a parent or designated guardian bring them to class and pick them up at the classroom after class. Children in grade 7 may be dropped off and picked up outside the school building but a parent must complete a permission form for this purpose. Faith Formation families must enter and exit the building from the front auditorium lobby doors.

What if someone besides a parent is picking up the child?

If an adult other than the child’s parent is picking up the child, a parent must fill out the dismissal form with the names of any adults other than the parent designated to pick up the child and have it on file in the catechist’s folder.

What if I have to pick up my child early?

In an emergency or if you must pick your child up before regular dismissal, you must notify the office before 3pm on that day and the office will notify the catechist. You must come into the building to check with the office and go to your child’s classroom for pick up.

Can I request that my child be put in a certain class?

Parents cannot request certain class for their child. Catechists cannot request that a particular child be put in their class.

What is the policy for inclement weather?

Cancellations due to inclement weather will be on Optimum Channel 12 or News 12 website or Newsday’s website. If possible, we will send an email. If Farmingdale School District closes, then we automatically do as well.