

# SUMMER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM



## 2025 Program Dates

### Summer Program Session

**Week One:** July 7-July 11

**Week Two:** July 14- July 18

**Hours:** 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

### Year-Round Dates:

**Sunday, November 16:** Mass & Reunion  
in Honor of the Feast Day of Saint  
Elizabeth

**Sunday, December 7:** Advent and Feast of  
the Immaculate Conception

**Friday, March 13:** Stations of the Cross

\*Other options to follow- please stay  
tuned!

**“THEN THE RIGHTEOUS  
WILL SHINE LIKE THE SUN  
IN THE KINGDOM OF  
THEIR FATHER. WHOEVER  
HAS EARS OUGHT TO  
HEAR.”**

**-MATTHEW 13:43**



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**“THE LORD IS OUR LIGHT,  
THE SUN OF JUSTICE AND  
RIGHTEOUSNESS, WHO HAS  
SHOWN ON HIS CATHOLIC  
CHURCH SPREAD  
THROUGHOUT THE  
WORLD.”  
SAINT JOHN THE SERENE**



## Overview

The Saint Elizabeth Summer Religious Education Program is a two-week immersive experience designed to deepen children's understanding and appreciation of their faith. Through engaging lessons, prayer, activities, and community building, students will grow in their relationship with God, while having fun in a supportive, Christ-centered environment. This program is an opportunity for our young members of the Church to explore the core teachings of their faith and strengthen their spiritual journey. Our dedicated teachers will guide students with care, sharing meaningful lessons throughout the two weeks, while our older volunteer counselors will serve as great role models, encouraging the kids with kindness and energy. Together, they will create a fun, welcoming environment where students can grow in faith and friendship.



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“MAY THE GOD OF HOPE  
FILL YOU WITH ALL JOY  
AND PEACE IN BELIEVING,  
SO THAT YOU MAY  
ABOUND IN HOPE BY THE  
POWER OF THE HOLY  
SPIRIT.”

ROMANS 15:3



## Requirements

The Summer Religious Education Program is designed to offer a **meaningful** and **enriching faith** experience for students. To ensure full participation and spiritual growth, the following program requirements must be met:

1. **Attendance:** Students are required to attend all ten sessions throughout the two-week program. Consistent attendance is essential for fostering a complete understanding of the teachings and experiences provided.
1. **Year-Round Engagement:** In addition to the summer sessions, students must participate in at least three other parish events or activities scheduled throughout the year. These events will offer continued opportunities for faith formation and community involvement.

These requirements are in place to ensure that students not only grow in their knowledge of the Catholic faith but also remain actively engaged in the life of the Church throughout the year.

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## Summer Curriculum

**Grade Three:** The curriculum for grade three will focus on the Catholic liturgical calendar, guiding students through the Church's seasons—Advent, Christmas, Lent, the Easter Triduum, Easter, and Ordinary Time. Through interactive lessons, arts & crafts, songs, and presentations, students will explore the meaning and traditions of each liturgical season.

**“REJOICE IN THE LORD  
ALWAYS, I SHALL SAY IT  
AGAIN: REJOICE.”  
PHILIPPIANS 4:4**

**Grades Four, Five, & Six:** The curriculum for grades four, five, and six will be centered around the seven sacraments of the Church. Students will learn about each sacrament and gain a deeper appreciation for how each one impacts his or her life.

**Grade Six:** Students in grade six will also have a special session each day that is designed to prepare them for their future Confirmation program.





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FATHER’S GLORY. BLAZE  
SPIRIT BLAZE, SET OUR  
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## Acceptable Use of Technology

Saint Elizabeth Church holds specific expectations for students at each grade level regarding their use of technology. The following rules of conduct apply to students and counselors:

- May not ever instant message or text message during sessions
- May not post private or personal information about or photographs of another student, Catechist, or staff member on the Internet, including without limitation, all social media networking sites (i.e. Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, YouTube, etc.) or via cell phone.
- May not post any picture or image of or about St. Elizabeth Religious Education on the Internet or via cell phone.
- Cell phones – Student cell phone use is prohibited. Cell phones, iPods, cameras, or other telecommunication devices may not be used during Religious Education classes. Cell phones and other devices must be turned off while classes are in session, unless directed otherwise by teacher or administration. Student use of a cell phone (and other devices) on school premises is prohibited unless expressly permitted by the administration. If a student is found using a cell phone, iPod, camera, or other telecommunication device during Religious Education, the device will be confiscated and returned to the student’s parent at pickup. If a student is found taking pictures or recording videos of students and/ or teachers, with the intent of posting them on social media, the device may be confiscated and turned over to the Wyckoff Police Department for investigation if deemed necessary.