

ST. MARY CHURCH, OFFICE FOR YOUTH AND FAMILIES

2025-2026 Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation Program Offerings

Class	Suggested Age / Grade	Days & Times Offered	Prerequisites	Key Class Components & Requirements
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd	Age 3–6, Pre-K/K	Sundays: 9:15-10:15am Wednesdays: 10:00-11:00am Thursdays: 4:00-5:00pm	Age 3 by Sept. 1	Regular class attendance
Image of God: “Who Am I?”	Age 5+, Kindergarten	Tuesdays: 4:30-5:30pm	Enrolled in Kindergarten	Full-year enrollment, Weekly class attendance, Weekly Mass attendance, Monthly Mass reflections, 24 classroom lessons, 2 program-wide celebrations, Parent/Child orientation
Communion One	Age 6+, 1st Grade	Sundays: 9:00-10:15am Tuesdays: 4:30-5:45pm	None	Full-year enrollment, Weekly class attendance, Weekly Mass attendance, Monthly Mass reflections, 24 classroom lessons, 2 program-wide celebrations, Fall parent rectory meeting, Parent/Child orientation
Communion Two (Year of First Reconciliation & First Communion)	Age 7+, 2nd Grade	Sundays: 9:00-10:15am Tuesdays: 4:30-5:45pm	Communion One or Equivalent	Full-year enrollment, Weekly class attendance, Weekly Mass attendance, Monthly Mass reflections, 24 classroom lessons, 2 program-wide celebrations, 2 Parent/Child workshops, Parent/Child communion rehearsal, Parent/Child orientation, Parent rectory event, Parent/Child First Communion Retreat, First Penance attendance, First Communion attendance
GiFT, Post First Communion One	Age 8+, 3rd Grade	Sundays: 9:00am-10:15am Tuesdays: 4:30pm-5:45pm	Completion of First Penance and First Communion	Weekly class attendance, Weekly Mass attendance, Gospel Project 3x/year, 2 Program Wide Celebrations, Works of Mercy activity, 12 Scripture Study Lessons, 6 Interactive Learning and Prayer Experiences, 6 Bible Play Days, Orientation, Confession

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GiFT, Post First Communion Two	Age 9+, 4th Grade	Sundays: 9:00am-10:15am Tuesdays: 4:30pm-5:45pm	Completion of First Penance and First Communion	Weekly class attendance, Weekly Mass attendance, Gospel Project 3x/year, 2 Program Wide Celebrations, Works of Mercy activity, 12 Scripture Study Lessons, 6 Interactive Learning and Prayer Experiences, 6 Bible Play Days, Orientation, Confession
Confirmation One	Age 10+, 5th Grade	Sundays: 9:00am-10:15am Tuesdays: 4:30pm-5:45pm	Completion of First Penance and First Communion	Full-year enrollment, Weekly class attendance, Weekly Mass attendance, Weekly Mass reflections, 11 Confirmation preparation classes, 6 Faith Formation classes, 6 Interactive Learning and Prayer Experiences, 2 Program Wide Celebrations, 1 class presentation, Parent/Child Orientation, Confession
Confirmation Two (Year of Confirmation)	Age 11+, 6th Grade	Sundays: 9:00am-10:15am* Mondays: 7:00pm-8:15pm* *alternating weeks from EDGE	Confirmation One or Equivalent	Full-year enrollment, Weekly class attendance, Weekly Mass attendance, Weekly Mass reflections, 11 Confirmation preparation classes, 13 EDGE sessions, 1 class presentation, Parent/Child Orientation, Confession, Confirmation Retreat, Priest Interview
EDGE*	Age 11 – 14, 6 th -8 th Grades	Mondays: 7:00pm-8:15pm** **alternating weeks from Confirmation Two Class	Enrolled in Middle School	Regular attendance at EDGE sessions *EDGE is <u>required</u> for all Confirmation Two students who wish to have their Confirmation in spring 2026