

# *Faith Formation*

*Welcome! Please have a seat!*

*Presentation will begin shortly.*

Let us begin with prayer!

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Loving God, You are the giver of all we possess, the source of all our blessings. We thank and praise You. Thank You for the gift of our children. Help us to set boundaries for them, and yet encourage them to explore. Give us the strength and courage to treat each day as a fresh start. May our children come to know You, the one true God, and Jesus Christ, Whom You have sent. May Your Holy Spirit help them to grow in faith, hope, and love, so they may know peace, truth, and goodness. May their ears hear Your voice. May their eyes see Your presence in all things. May their lips proclaim Your word. May their hearts be Your dwelling place. May their hands do works of charity. May their feet walk in the way of Jesus Christ, Your Son and our Lord. Amen.

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A little bit about myself...

- Heidi (Guidry) Robin, 3rd year as Director of Faith Formation
- Native of Cecilia; attended Saint Bernard School, Teurlings Catholic High School, UL-Lafayette (Bachelor's - 2011)
- Married nearly 16 years to Christopher Robin of Arnaudville
- Children: Liam (13) and Estelle (4)
- April 2023 - accepted position of Religion Director at Carencro Catholic School

## Grades PK-1

- Meet for 10 Sunday sessions
- 10:30 am - 12:00 pm
- Mary's House

## Grades 3rd-7th

- Meet for 10 Sunday sessions (including exit exam)
- 8:30 am - 10:30 am
- St. Joseph Campus

## 2nd Grade

- Meets for 16 Sunday sessions
- 8:30 am - 12:00 pm
- Mary's House
- Will attend 11:00 Mass together

## Confirmation (8th/9th/10th Grades)

- Meet by semester: Fall or Spring
- 9 Sunday sessions
- 8:30 am - 12:00 pm
- Will attend 11:00 Mass together
- Day of Reflection (August or January)
- Retreat will be held on a Saturday

## 2023-2024 Faith Formation Calendar

Preschool Classes PK, K, 1st Mary's House 10:30 am - 12:00 pm	2nd Grade Reconciliation / Eucharist Mary's House/Mass 8:30 am - 12:00 pm	Elementary Classes 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th St. Joseph Campus 8:30 am - 10:30 am	Confirmation Class 8th, 9th, 10th Grades St. Joseph Hall/Mass 8:30 am - 12:00 pm
August 6, 2023	August 6, 2023 August 27, 2023	August 6, 2023	<b>Fall Semester</b> <u>Classes</u> August 6, 2023 August 27, 2023 September 10, 2023 September 24, 2023 October 8, 2023 October 22, 2023 November 12, 2023 November 26, 2023 December 10, 2023
September 10, 2023	September 10, 2023 September 24, 2023	September 10, 2023	
October 8, 2023	October 8, 2023 October 22, 2023	October 8, 2023	
November 12, 2023	November 12, 2023 November 26, 2023	November 12, 2023	
December 10, 2023	December 10, 2023 December 17, 2023	December 10, 2023	<u>Retreat</u> January 18, 2024
January 7, 2024	January 7, 2024 January 21, 2024	January 7, 2024	<u>Confessions</u> January 26, 2024
February 4, 2024	February 4, 2024 February 18, 2024	February 4, 2024	<u>Confirmation Practice and Ceremony</u> January 27, 2024
March 3, 2024	March 3, 2024 March 17, 2024	March 3, 2024	<b>Spring Semester</b> <u>Classes</u> January 7, 2024 January 21, 2024 February 4, 2024 February 18, 2024 March 3, 2024 March 17, 2024 March 24, 2024 April 14, 2024 April 28, 2024
April 14, 2024	Saturday, April 6, 2024 1st Reconciliation / Banner Party 10:00 am - 2:00 pm  Saturday, April 20, 2024 1st Holy Eucharist Practice @ 10:00 am Mass @ 6:30 pm	April 14, 2024  Study Guides will be handed out for Exit Exams.	<u>Retreat</u> June 1, 2024
May 5, 2024 10:30 am - Turn in May Homework 11:00 am - Mass 12 - 2 pm - Party	May 5, 2024 10:30 am - Turn in May Homework 11:00 am - Mass 12 - 2 pm - Party	May 5, 2024 10:15 am - Exams/Turn in May Homework 11:00 am - Mass 12 - 2 pm - Party	<u>Confessions</u> June 7, 2024
			<u>Confirmation Practice</u> June 8, 2024
			<u>Confirmation Ceremony</u> June 9, 2024



# 2023-2024 Sacrament Team

## Reconciliation/Eucharist Team

2nd Grade Teacher  
Dena Robin

Assistant for 2nd Grade  
Krystal Boyer

## Confirmation Team

Scripture and Tradition  
Nolan Babineaux

Theology of the Body  
Melissa Huval

Life in Christ  
Heidi Robin



# 2nd Grade Curriculum

## Scripture and Tradition:

### Spirit of Truth, Sophia Institute

- This year focuses on how much children are loved by Jesus Christ, and how His death and Resurrection has opened the way to heaven, with special emphasis on the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Holy Eucharist.

## Theology of the Body:

### Everyday Theology of the Body

- Students will complete the mini-lesson and participate in an activity that coordinates to the lesson.

## Life in Christ:

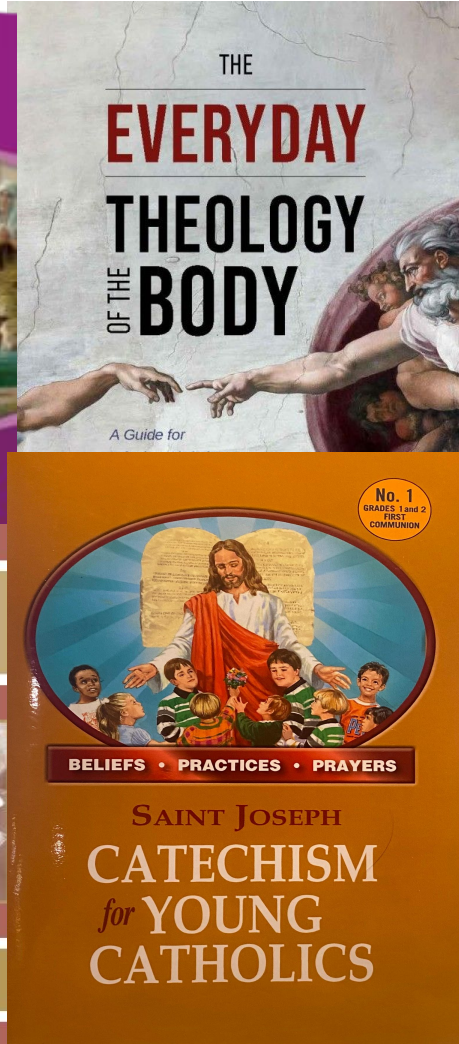
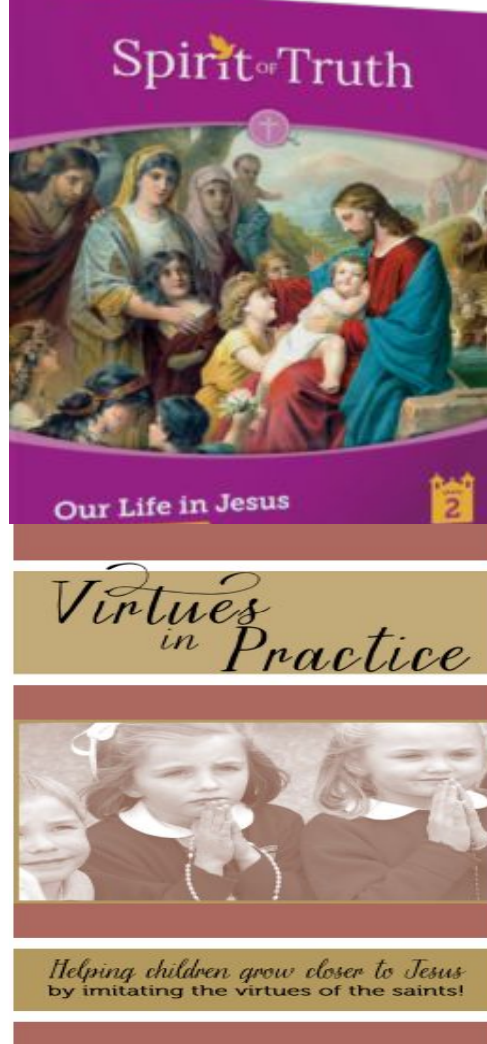
### Virtues in Practice

- Students will learn about a different virtue/saint every month and will complete a home assignment for the next class meeting.

## Homework:

### Saint Joseph Catechism

- Assignments sent home to be completed for the next class meeting.



# Explanation of Sacrament Registration and Fees

## First Reconciliation / First Holy Eucharist



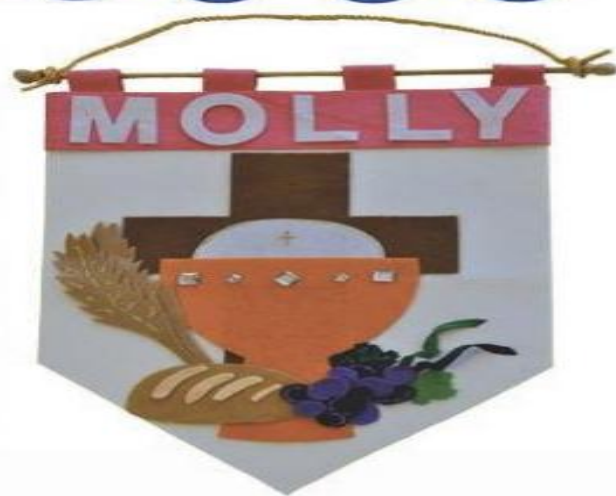
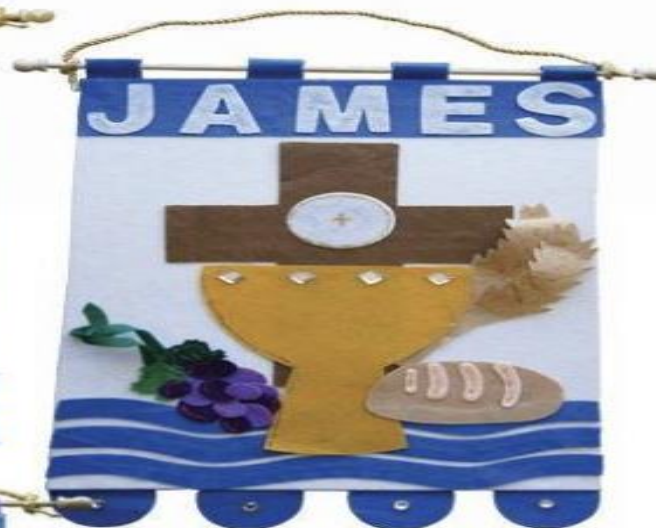
### 1st Reconciliation / Holy Eucharist: \$75

Registration Fee for Textbook and Supplies* -	\$30 per child
Pew Banner, Food, and Drink -	\$22 per child
Photography* for Communion mass -	\$13 per child
<u>Music for Communion mass -</u>	<u>\$10 per child</u>

**Total of \$75**

- Supplies also includes program for the 1st Holy Eucharist Mass
- Photography includes photographer's fee, a 5x7 print of your child receiving the Sacrament, and digital access to the online album of the entire Mass.







# Sacrament Information - 2nd Grade

**First Reconciliation / Holy Eucharist**

## Important Dates

**Saturday, April 6, 2024**

**1st Reconciliation and Pew Banner Party**

**Saint Joseph Church / Hall**

**10:00 am-2:00 pm**

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**Saturday, April 20, 2024**

**1st Holy Eucharist**

**Saint Joseph Church**

**Practice @ 10:00 am**

**Ceremony @ 6:30 pm**



# First Confession/First Communion Rehearsal Dress Code

- Children should wear Sunday best (think wedding attire)
  - ^ No shorts! No exceptions!
    - ^ Girls: dresses and jumpsuits/rompers are acceptable, also jeans or capris and a nice blouse (nothing sleeveless, must go to the waist, no crop tops). No graphics or inappropriate writing.
      - Dresses must reach the knee.
      - Jumpsuits/rompers must go to the ankle.
      - Shoes must be Sunday best. Boots are allowed.
        - No tennis shoes.
    - ^ Boys: pants and polo or button down shirts are acceptable.
      - Pants may be khaki, black, navy, or dress jeans (no holes). Please wear a belt.
      - Shirts can be any color, but should be church appropriate. No graphics or inappropriate writing. The shirt must have a collar. No t-shirts.
      - Shoes must be Sunday best. Boots are allowed.
        - No tennis shoes.

# First Reconciliation Dress Code





# First Communion Dress Code

^ Girls - White communion dresses with white veil or headpiece, nude stockings, and white dress shoes. Dresses must be mid-calf to floor length. Shoulders MUST be covered, whether by dress, veil, or wrap. Hair may be worn in any fashion, but must be well groomed. Jewelry is allowed, but must be simple: silver or gold with white only (no colored beads or stones). Shoulder wraps, bolero covers, and gloves are allowed, but must be solid white.

**NO ALTERNATIVES, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

^ Boys - White, long sleeve, button down shirts with black dress pants, solid black tie or bowtie, black belt, black socks, and black dress shoes. Jacket, vest, or sport coat optional; must be solid black. Undershirts are optional, but must be solid white. Hair must be well groomed. **NO ALTERNATIVES, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

**\*\*If you are unsure whether or not the outfit is appropriate, please dress the child in the outfit and send it in a text to 337-230-3549. I will give approval based on the picture.\*\***

# First Holy Eucharist Dress Code







# Grades 2-4: Choir Service

*"To sing is to pray twice!" - Saint Augustine*

Students in grades 2-4 will be participating in the choir at 11:00 mass with Mrs. Laura Huval! They will be taught the songs in class and will practice in their classrooms before mass on their assigned date. Please make note of the date your child's class will be singing and invite your family members to mass that Sunday! Let's get our loved ones into the pews and welcome them to worship with us! Surely they would love to be able to hear their angelic voices on a Sunday morning!

\*Anyone in grades 3 on up interested in being an altar server should call (337) 230-3549 for more information.\*



2023-2024 Faith Formation Choir Schedule	
Date	Grade Singing
August 20, 2023	2nd Grade
September 17, 2023	3rd Grade
October 29, 2023	4th Grade
November 12, 2023	2nd Grade
December 10, 2023	3rd Grade
January 14, 2024	4th Grade
February 25, 2024	2nd Grade
March 24, 2024	3rd Grade
April 14, 2024	4th Grade
May 5, 2024	ALL 3 GRADES



# DIOCESE *of* LAFAYETTE

## LOUISIANA

### Grade Level Expectations

Each grade level has its own set of faith prayers, beliefs, and practices to learn.

**These should be reviewed at home.**

These are in your yellow folder.

### Safe Environment Policy

Each and every staff member, catechist, and parent volunteer is **required** to be Safe Environment trained. This training takes place here in the parish. For more information, please text Mrs. Heidi or call the St. Joseph Office to speak with our Safe Environment Coordinator, Myra Robin.



# DIOCESE *of* LAFAYETTE

LOUISIANA

**SAVE THE DATE!**

*Parent as Primary Catechist / Safe Environment*

Sunday, September 10, 2023

9:00-10:30 am - St. Joseph Church

**ALL PARENTS** (at least one per family) are

**REQUIRED** to attend!

This session will count as our parish requirement with the Diocese of Lafayette to share this information with our parents.



# Student/Parent Handbook

Let's go over it together!

Reporting an Absence:

Please go to [www.stjosephcecilia.com](http://www.stjosephcecilia.com) and click on this pink button located underneath the Faith Formation info section.



# Remind

Please join every class that applies to your students! This will be the main form of communication between the Director of Faith Formation and parents! Simply text the code - including the “@” symbol - to the number 81010 to join.

## Remind Codes

Text these codes to the number 81010 to join.

Pre-K - @f4fefgk

Kindergarten - @9bb8g7

1st Grade - @da23ca

2nd Grade - @kfa639

3rd Grade - @ga6kfe

4th Grade - @dfgg74

5th Grade - @h924f3a

6th Grade - @b689h42

7th Grade - @hk8kbkh

Confirmation - @behb6a

# WHAT REALLY HAPPENS AT MASS.....





# WHY IT'S SO GREAT TO BE AUTHENTICALLY CATHOLIC.....



Catholics Come Home.org

## Special Cases

- If your child is not yet baptized, please see Mrs. Heidi before registering. We need to cover that ground first!
- If your child is past the age of 8 and has not yet received First Reconciliation or First Holy Eucharist, please see Mrs. Heidi before registering. We will set up a time to meet so we can get this done!
- If you have come to register for First Communion or Confirmation and your student is from a Catholic school, please see Mrs. Heidi before you register.
- If you belong to another church parish and are not a parishioner of St. Joseph or St. Rose of Lima, you will either:
  - 1 - Need to register as a parishioner of one of our churches and sign up for donation envelopes (YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER AS A PARISHIONER TONIGHT), OR
  - 2 - Register for Faith Formation in the parish you belong to, if you prefer.

**Faith Formation should always take place in your HOME PARISH!**

# HELP WANTED!



## Parent Volunteers

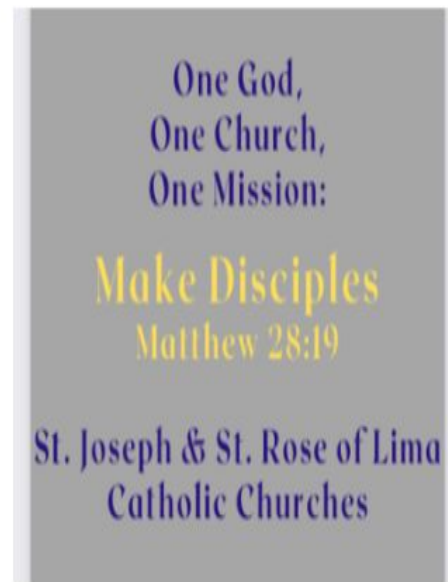
We need parent volunteers to sign up in case we need subs or assistance for our catechism classes. I have all lesson plans available for viewing so you don't have to necessarily "know" what to do...it will all be scripted out for you! We just need extra hands on deck this year! You can sign up at the registration table and you can choose which grades to volunteer for. Just to clarify: this will be on an "as needed" basis. You will not be expected to attend every class - only those when a sub or assistant is needed! Please help us by signing up as a parent volunteer! It's a great way to stay involved with your children's faith formation!

# Faith Formation T-Shirt Order Form

## Front Pocket



## Center Back



## Sizes available:

YXS YS YM YL  
AS AM AL AXL  
A2XL A3XL

## Cost per shirt:

**\$20.00**

Cash, Check, or Square  
Make checks payable to:  
St. Joseph  
Catholic Church

Use Code to pay  
online through Square





**Payment Schedule Forms -**  
**every parent MUST fill out before paying online!**  
**If you are paying in installments, DO NOT use the code!**  
**Payment will be taken with Cash, Check, or Card ONLY!**

2023-2024 Faith Formation Payment Schedule Form # \_\_\_\_\_

Child	Grade	Child	Grade

Financially Responsible Party: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle one choice:      2 payments      3 payments      Payment in Full

Total for all children: \$ \_\_\_\_\_      Half deposit paid today: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(if applicable)

Total remaining payments: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to pay the total remaining balance (if applicable) by July 31, 2023.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Your **Form #**  
will be placed  
on every  
registration  
form, if you are  
registering  
multiple  
children.



## FAITH FORMATION PARENT GROUP

This Facebook group is for parents of who have children enrolled in the Faith Formation Program. It is a forum for all parent information coming from the Director and for parents to post or ask questions to the Director.

### How to Join

\* Search in the Facebook app for “Faith Formation Parent Group”. Then, click the “Join Group” button in blue.

\* Use your phone’s camera to view the QR code to the right.

\* Use this link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/760958169086697/>

## Rules from the admins

### 1 Be kind and courteous.

This is a group for Catholic parents who practice Catholic values. Please keep your comments and posts appropriate.

### 2 No promotions or spam.

Self-promotion, spam, and/or irrelevant links ARE NOT allowed. Please do not try to sell anything on this page. Place those kinds of posts on your personal Facebook page.

### 3 Respect everyone's privacy, especially your own!

If you have a personal issue, question, or concern, please text or call the Director, Heidi Robin, privately at 337-230-3549. Please do not post personal information on this page, yours or anyone else's.



## Registration Process - 5 Steps!

Step 1: In the right pocket of your folder, you should have a registration form. Be sure to grab a Parishioner Form and a Payment Schedule Form (you will use only one form per family; the number on your form should go on the bottom of your registration sheet for each child you register; we will keep track of them as well.) Fill everything out!

Step 2: **Attach baptism certificate copy.** Those without certificate copies will be asked to complete the registration form at home and return to the St. Joseph Office with completed form, certificate copies, and method of payment to complete the registration process.

Step 3: Decide on your payment schedule and fill out your payment slip.

Step 4: Come to the checkout table with your completed forms and payment slip. You can pay with cash, check, card, or through our QR code for Square. Have your payment method ready to go!

Step 5 (optional): Order a T-shirt, if you would like one! Many sizes are available!

# ANY QUESTIONS?



Personal questions can be written down at the registration table.  
Please put your name and telephone number on the card with your  
question and place it in the yellow envelope provided.  
I will give you a call by the end of the week!



# Pay Here!

Use your camera on your cell  
phone to access our  
Faith Formation Square Site!

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Multi-Children and Sacrament  
Discounts are applied in your cart!

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T-Shirts may also be added to  
your order!



Thank

You