



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC CHURCH
Parish School of Religion
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Dear Our Lady of Lourdes' Parish Families,

Even though it's still the summer time, the school year is right around the corner, and we're excited to get all of the youth in our parish registered for catechesis which will begin on September 11th with a whole family session! We very much appreciated the feedback that we received from so many of you on what was offered last year as well as your responses to our survey about the PSR time. There was overwhelming support for the PSR time remaining the same (9:30-10:45 AM on Sundays), so that's what we'll do!

The model will also be staying the same as last year, including both whole family and grade-level classroom sessions, but with some improvements. Several of the families mentioned that the first whole family session each month was informative but may not have been as child-friendly as it could have been at times. To address that concern, we'll be using the *Lego Catechism* to learn about the sacraments rather than the materials that we used last year for the whole family sessions. It's a fantastic book, and we're very excited to get started with the year! Our grade-level classroom sessions will continue to use the Sophia Press text, *Spirit of Truth*, as we did last year. Finally, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd will also continue to be offered to our 3-5 year olds the first Sunday of each month at the same time as the whole family session.

This year we're asking that each family consider donating \$50 to help offset the cost of materials and texts that we use throughout the PSR year (all of the coordinators and catechists volunteer our time). This money will only cover a small portion of our budget, so if you're willing and able to give more, we'd love that too! Please keep in mind that this donation is not required; if you're unable to donate, we still want you to register! We will not be checking to see who chooses to donate and who does not. Thank you in advance for sharing generously with the PSR program and the parish.

We hope that you'll be as excited as we are to join the parish community as we learn, share, and grow together over this next year. As always, your families will be in our thoughts and prayers. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to us by phone or email: 712-579-1923 or acjohnson@alumni.nd.edu. This year's PSR handbook and calendar will be sent out following registration on July 24th, so you can get all of the dates for the year on your calendar!

God Bless!

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