

ST. CHRISTOPHER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
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Dear Families:

It seems we end one year and then start right away on another. We are making some changes in the program. We will be having a parent meeting the First night of classes for Monday and Tuesday. Schedules for all of the programs will be distributed and available on our website. Once we receive your registration we will acknowledge by email.

1. Classes for grades K to 8 will be weekly on Monday or Tuesday evening, beginning Monday October 2. Classes for grade 9 will be Monday or Tuesday every other week. Classes will end the last full week of April. We will not be offering the Friday night program.
2. Grade 10, which is the year of preparation for Confirmation, will be every other week on Sunday or Tuesday night. This will begin the week of October 1st; Confirmation will be held in the spring of 2024. Classes will be held at the Saint Christopher Campus.
3. Students in Catholic High School, who wish to be confirmed in the spring, will be sent a package including things they will need to be familiar with before Confirmation and a Registration Form. They will need to attend 4 preparation classes and a retreat. A schedule will be provided.
4. Every student in grades K to 8 will receive a book. Grades 6-8 will use the same book for 3 years. 9th and 10th grade will be using the same textbook for both years. Students will be asked to bring their books with them to every class. If you lose your book you will need to pay for a new one.
5. We have restructured the fees we charge to cover the books, so we will be asking the students to provide a folder.
6. Faith Formation in the Home-Students will be working with their families at home to go over lessons on a weekly basis. There will be three gatherings during the year to go over lessons and distribute the material. The last meeting will be a time to turn in completed material.
7. Faith Formation in the Home- Grades 6-8 will follow the same pattern as listed for the Grade 1-5 students.
8. Registration forms will be on our website and will need to be completed and submitted to the Religious Education office by email, fax or mail.

If you have any questions, please contact the Religious Education office either by phone or email.

FAMILY INFORMATION	NATURAL FATHER'S NAME (LAST) (FIRST)		RELIGION		OCCUPATION		Work #		Cell#		MARITAL STATUS	
	MOTHER'S NAME (FIRST) (MAIDEN NAME)		RELIGION		OCCUPATION		Work #		Cell #		MARITAL STATUS	
	STEP-PARENT/GUARDIAN/ (CUSTODIAL PARENT) (LAST NAME) (FIRST)		RELIGION		OCCUPATION		Work #		Cell #		MARITAL STATUS	
	STUDENTS CURRENT ADDRESS		CITY and ZIP CODE		HOME PHONE							
EMERGENCY CONTACT/PHONE		PARENT EMAIL (PRINT PLZ)		(MOST OF OUR CORRESPONDENCE IS BY EMAIL)								

STUDENT INFORMATION											(x) if received		
	STUDENT NAME (FIRST)	LAST NAME (if different)	M/F	Grade In Rel. Ed. Sept. 2023	Grade in School Sept. 2023	Indicate choice (use 1 or 2)			Date of Birth	Baptism	Reconciliation	Communion	
						Mark First and Second Choice							
						M	T	S Gr10					

SESSION SCHEDULE

Monday Gr. K-9 6:15 - 7:30

Tuesday Gr. K-9 6:15 – 7:30

Grade 9 will be every other week

Gr. 10 Confirmation will be in the Spring of 2024. Classes will start this September. Classes will be held on Sundays or Tuesdays every other week. Tuesday will be 6:15 to 7:30 pm. Sunday, time to be announced.

Formation in the Home- will be offered as a hybrid option. Grade 1-5 will be at home 4 weeks and then in-person on week 5. Grade 6-8 will meet online once a month.

Where did your child attend Religious Education Classes last year? ☐ St. Christopher ☐ Other _____

Baptized at St. Christopher _____ Other: _____ Date: _____

NEW FAMILIES, K & 1ST GR. STUDENTS ~ATTACH COPY OF BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE

SPECIAL SERVICES PROGRAM PROVIDED IN PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR _____

EXPLAIN _____

ALLERGIES _____

OFFICE USE ONLY	1 Student \$75.00 \$ _____ 2 Students \$115.00 \$ _____ 3 or more \$135.00 \$ _____		PAYMENT IS EXPECTED AT TIME OF REGISTRATION	
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make checks payable to St. Christopher Religious Ed. Do not place fees in Sunday Collection 	

Registration Fee		Date Received	Cash/Check/Facts
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EARLY DISMISSAL PROCEDURE

If you have to take your child out of class early, please follow this procedure.

1. Bring a written note to the office before class with your child's name, grade, room# and the time you are requesting dismissal. We will initial and send it up to the teacher with them.
2. We will call the student down to the office at the requested time.
3. At the designated time, come to the school office for your child. No student will be dismissed unless an adult comes to the office and signs him/her out.

DISCIPLINE POLICY

The following discipline policy will apply to all students who attend Religious Education Classes at St. Christopher Parish. We encourage respectful behavior from our students.

1. A student will receive **one warning** from the Catechist or Aide.
2. If the behavior continues he/she will be sent to the office:
 - The student will be asked to reflect on their behavior.
 - The student is responsible to complete all missed work before the next class.
 - The student will write a letter of apology to the class and catechist. The letter will be given to the catechist at the next class.
3. If a student is sent to the office a second time:
 - The student will call home and explain to parent/guardian why he/she was removed from the classroom.
 - The student is responsible to complete all missed work before the next class
4. If a student is sent to the office a third time.
 - The Director of Religious Education will speak with the parents.
 - The student is responsible to complete all missed work before the next class.
 - **A parent must attend the next scheduled class with the student.**

CHANGE OF NIGHT REQUESTS

At times parents request an evening change for a child. We will make every effort to accommodate but please understand that sometimes there is only so much we can do.

ABSENCES

The average student is absent 2-3 times per year. Regular attendance is requested. Make up work will be assigned by the catechist if possible. Please call the office to let us know if student will be absent on a given evening. You can also email us at reled@saintchris.org

I have read the above policies and I understand the conditions

Signature

CONSENT AND RELEASE 2023-2024

Please complete the following form and return it with your **Religious Education Registration form**.

I _____, the parent/guardian
(Please print your name) (Circle one)
give St. Christopher Parish permission to use my child's photograph, video image, sound recording, and/or work for use in promoting St Christopher parish and Faith formation program. I realize that the photo may be used in the bulletin, on the website, the parish's Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter accounts or any other publication

_____ I hereby do give permission for my child's [children's] to be photographed for the above stated purposes.

_____ I do not give permission to the above and will explain to my child the reason they will not participate in photos.

Please print

Student's name/grade _____

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Student's name/grade _____

Student's name/grade _____

Release of Name: If you gave permission for us to use photos

Religious Education Students (check one):

_____ I **do** give permission for the use of my child's last name and names of other family members.

_____ I **do not** give permission for the use of my child's last name and names of other family members.

Parent or Guardian Signature/Date



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION VOLUNTEER FORM 2023

I am interested in the following:

Catechist _____

Let's Talk!

Whew!

Do we need you!

Substitutes _____

Professional teachers you're the best!

PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING OUT!!

WE NEED YOU

Classroom Helper: _____

Our goal is one for every class K-4
& for Special Needs Students.

Hall Monitors _____ **PLEASE CONSIDER DOING THIS.**

For all sessions or when you can

Good time for reading paper or prayer

Confirmation Catechist: _____

Gr. 10, Confirmation preparation
will be every other week Sunday
Morning or Tuesday Night.

Return this form with
your Registration



Come share your faith with the
children and it will be rewarded!

All volunteers who come in contact
with children under 18 must take
the Virtus program and keep
current in the training bulletins.

Name _____

Phone _____

Child's last name if different _____ Email: _____

I'm available to help on _____

Day of Week

Every week _____ every other week _____ once a month _____ occasionally _____

You can also e-mail us at reled@saintchris.org or call the office at 694-4310