

Welcome to Religious Education!

The religious education programs for Immaculate Conception, Newman, and Sacred Heart/Saint Patrick parishes have been combined into one program, and look like this:

Family Formation- As primary educators of their children, parents often feel unqualified to teach their children about their faith. Family formation addresses these concerns, leading parents to develop their own faith journey, build community with other parents, and gain the confidence to talk to their children about the Catholic faith. Designed for parents and children in grades 1-6, Family Formation participants meet twice a month at Immaculate Conception School, Parish, and Fr. Klink Hall. While children meet with a classroom catechist, parents meet with Fr. Michael or Fr. Francis and learn about an important aspect of our Catholic faith. Parents then learn how to pass on that knowledge: what to share, how to share it, and why they are catechising their children. Parents “teach” a simple lesson on the other two Wednesdays of the month. Lessons are simple, down to earth, and fun! Yes, really! *Please note that childcare will be available during meetings at IC at no charge AND those children must be registered so adequate staffing is available.*

Middle School/EDGE-designed for students in grades 7 and 8, who meet twice a month at Immaculate Conception School with the Family Formation schedule. **Parents with only 7 or 8 grade students do NOT meet.** 7th grade students will study Theology of the Body, while 8th grade students will study the Bible. On the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, these students will meet at Sacred Heart church for the EDGE program.

Confirmation-The immediate preparation for Confirmation involves a two year program beginning in the ninth grade. Those preparing for the sacrament are required to attend the scheduled preparation sessions and complete the assignments and service hours required for each year. All sessions take place at Immaculate Conception School unless otherwise noted, following the schedule of Family Formation and Middle School.