

NATIVITY SCHOOL OF RELIGION NEWS 2022-23

Registration has begun for Nativity's Children's Faith Formation Program. Children who attend public school in 1st through 8th grades should be enrolled in Nativity's School of Religion for ongoing faith formation. Registration will be completed on Google Forms using the link <https://forms.gle/tRVFKoruqrvSkNM78>. A printable version of the form and information packets are available online under the School of Religion link.

The program officially begins on Sunday, September 18 on Catechetical Sunday. Mrs. Hickam will be available outside Church after all the Masses on **Aug 21 and Aug. 29** to register your children and answer any questions about the program. Classes for grade levels 1-6 and the Sacraments Class are held on **Sundays** from **8:15-9:15 AM** and continue on to our **9:30 AM** Mass. We hope to restart the Children's Liturgy of the Word later in the year. There is space for students at all grade levels 1-8 and high school students who have not yet received the Sacraments. Please come by the table or email the School of Religion office if you need any forms or have any questions or concerns.

Just a reminder:

First Reconciliation/First Communion requires 2 years of instruction before a child is eligible to receive these Sacraments. Children who attend public school should be enrolled in the School of Religion starting in Grade 1 and they are encouraged to continue onto the next grade level after they receive their First Communion, through the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The School of Religion **Confirmation Preparation** program is also a two-year program as required by the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Children should be enrolled as soon as they enter the 7th grade, as well as those older students who have not yet been confirmed. Students who attend Catholic high schools that do not have a confirmation program should enroll in this class. Classes are held on **Wednesday** evenings **07:00-08:00 PM**. For more information, please go to the link on the parish website (www.nativitymenlo.org) or email the School of Religion office. Classes begin on Wednesday, September 21.

CATECHIST OPENINGS:

Help our children be all they can be. Become a catechist and use the talents God has given you to help teach our faith. No experience necessary. Training is provided. Our program is in need of the following:

- Grade 1-4, 6 Catechists
- Substitute Catechists
- Assistants for Grades 1-4

If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Hickam as soon as possible.

Have a wonderful rest of your summer and blessings to you all,

Mrs. Monica Hickam

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