

FAITH FORMATION POLICIES

ATTENDANCE:

All students in our parish not attending Catholic School should be registered in the Faith Formation Program. Weekly attendance is required.

ABSENCE:

Parents must notify the office (594-1441) in case of absence. Unexcused absence may be cause for dismissal, as will excessive tardiness. All missed assignments must be completed and returned to the teacher. Failure to comply may cause a student to repeat the grade.

DROP-OFF and PICK-UP

All children pre-school through Junior High **MUST** be dropped off at their classroom by parents or guardians, or with another parent or siblings who have received permission from the parent. All children must be picked up in the Church at the end of classes. All classes will meet in the church for closing prayer. We ask that our parents join our teachers and students to share in this prayer time.

REGISTRATION

All registrations of **previous** students for the upcoming school year should be completed by **May 1st or a \$25.00 late charge will be applied to the amount due.** New parishioners will be accepted as they arrive and register in the parish. **NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED DURING THE WEEK CLASSES BEGIN.**

CLASS SIZE

Classes will be closed when enrollment reaches 15 students (10 students for Junior High). Students will be enrolled in the next available class. Classes are limited to families registered at St. Christopher's.

ADMISSION

Classes are available for all children, three years of age by December 1st, through junior high school. A child who repeats a grade in school may also repeat the grade in Faith Formation classes. This will allow the child to be with classmates and prevent any reading/learning difficulties or tensions that may arise if a child is in an atmosphere that is too demanding. However, each situation will be evaluated individually. After consultation with the parents, a decision will be made by the Pastor/Pastoral Administrator and the Faith Formation director that will be in the best interest of the child.

FEES

Policies regarding fees for the Faith Formation Program are determined by the Pastor/Pastoral Administrator, and the Faith Formation Director. Fees are payable at the time of registration. If you are unable to pay the fees, please call the Faith Formation Office.

DISCIPLINE

Any persistent behavior problems will be sent to the office. A parent may be called to take the child home. Children unable to conform to classroom standards will be dismissed from the program.

SACRAMENTS

A CHILD REGISTERED IN OUR Faith Formation program or a Catholic School will be allowed to prepare for the reception of a sacrament only after he/she has also completed the previous year's instructions. Other pre-requisites include:

1. Family registration in the parish.
2. **Regular attendance and participation in Faith Formation classes or Catholic School and Sunday Mass**
3. Full participation of the parents and child in the program of immediate preparation of their child for that sacrament.

