

Dear religious education parents,

We are excited to announce that religious education will start on October 4<sup>th</sup>! While we are going to move forward, things will look a little different this year. Due to understandable restrictions, we are unable to use the St. Benedict School classrooms at this time. Our plan is to provide religious education while adhering to the Archdiocese requirements of social distancing and mandatory masks. To allow for social distancing, students will meet only in the parish hall once a month from 9:15-10:15am based on the schedule and guidelines below. We will meet a little later in May than we typically do to allow for one additional class. We will continue to update you as we receive updates from the Archdiocese and through our own parish planning. Please know that your family is in our prayers as we navigate these challenging circumstances.

[Please complete the registration form by clicking here by September 15<sup>th</sup>.](#)

**20-21 St. Bartholomew Religious Education Guidelines**

1. Masks will be mandatory during the entirety of religious education classes.
2. Social distancing will be maintained throughout religious education.
3. If religious education students or a member of their family have had symptoms, a diagnosis, or exposure to COVID-19, please do not attend classes for two weeks.
4. Students will likely receive religious education assignments to supplement instruction at home, especially for students preparing for sacraments.
5. Parents will drop students off on the front porch at the parish hall, beginning at 9am. Teachers will be there to take temperatures and to greet students. Unfortunately, we cannot host any refreshments or social fellowship during classes or before or after classes. We will be using the entire parish hall for class. Parents will drop off and pick up their children on the front porch.
6. Parents should monitor their children for symptoms and possible exposure. Each child will have their temperature taken with a touchless thermometer on the front porch of the parish hall before entering the building.
7. The schedule for religious education will be as follows:
  - a. First Sunday of the month – Grades K-4
  - b. Second Sunday of the month – Grades 5-9
  - c. Third Sunday of the month – Grades 10-11
  - d. Fourth Sunday of the month – adult faith formation

<b>Grades</b>	<b>Dates for Religious Education (9:15-10:15am)</b>
K-4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Oct 4, Nov 1, Dec 6, Jan 3 and 31, Feb 7, March 7, May 2 ( <i>Note we will meet 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of January because of missing April class due to Easter</i> )
5 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Oct 11, Nov 8, Dec 13, Jan 10, Feb 14, March 14, April 11, May 9
10-11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Oct 18, Nov 15 Dec 20, Jan 17, Feb 21, March 21, April 18, May 16

Faithfully in Christ,  
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