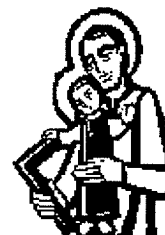
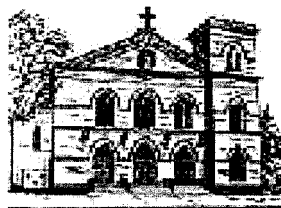


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HELLO CATECHISTS! WELCOME BACK!!!!

I hope you re all are staying safe, cool, relaxing and enjoying this great summer weather!

On the website you will find a copy of the letter sent to the parents.

PARISH CENTER: All of the Religious Education classes will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6:00PM to 7:30PM in the Parish Center. The 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Grades will be on the second floor and the 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th Grades will be on the ground floor.

I am so Grateful to those who are certified or who are working toward certification! Our Catechists are outstanding in this and every field!

A BIG WELCOME: A big Welcome to our team of Catechists and to all of our Volunteers!! I am very excited about this upcoming year of Religious Education and hope you are too!!

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the following:

Our First Meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 3, 2025 at 6:00pm in the Parish Center Meeting Room.** Please make every effort to attend!! We will be going over the Guidelines and Procedures for the opening of classes and the Safe Environment Program.

OPENING MASS: On the first night of classes, **Wednesday, September 10th at 6PM,** we will have an **Opening Mass.** The parents and children will go to the Church and after Mass, the priest will talk to the parents and students. Father will then call the students up by grade level and introduce them to their Catechist who will take them to their classroom. Father will speak with the parents and then the parents will go to the child's classroom. The Catechist will then let the parents know what to expect in reference to Attendance, Homework and Prayers to be taught and what they will learn during the year. Dismissal will follow.

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Remember that every year the **Safe Child** information must be taught. Most of you incorporate it throughout the year and some of you offer it all at once. **All students must be taught**, so if you do it in one class, wait until you have perfect attendance to cover it. Please let me know when you have completed the Safe Child Environment lesson. I have to let the Regional Director know that the course has been taught in each class. Thank You!!

As always, I **THANK YOU** for your continued love and support. I **appreciate** all you do to make our Religious Education Program the success that it is. How wonderful it is that you are doing God's work by living our faith through your actions! I do appreciate all of your time, love, support, and dedication! **You truly are wonderful!!!**

In Jesus Love,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joan Corton, CRE". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Joan Corton, CRE
Coordinator of Religious Education

Enjoy the rest of the summer! God bless you and your families!!