

10 June 2022

Dear Parents,

Thank you for enrolling your child in our religious education program for the 2022-23 school year!

We will be starting the season with a pancake breakfast followed by a short class on **Sunday, August 21**. Registration is now open, and you can either submit your form online at www.charlestoncathedral.com (under education tab), mail to me at the Cathedral office at 105 Queen St., or send to my email: christian.formation@charlestoncathedral.com.

Classes meet from 10:05 a.m.-11:05 a.m. on the 1st and 2nd floor of the Cathedral Center.

Preparation for both First Communion and Confirmation are mandatory two-year programs: 1st-2nd grade and 7th-8th grade. **Regular Sunday Mass attendance is a requirement for receiving these sacraments.** Even if you give online each week, please put an envelope in the offertory each Sunday (you can note on the envelope that you give online). Am.

We will also be starting a high school group this fall, meeting on Sundays at 10-11 am. So please also register your high school children using the online form.

God bless,

Karen McLaurin

Director of Religious Education

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SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN FORMATION POLICIES

All families participating in the Cathedral School of Christian Formation must be active, registered members of Cathedral parish. Classes are held on Sundays, 10:05a-11:05a, in the Cathedral parish center classrooms (1st and 2nd floor).

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION POLICIES

In order to receive either First Holy Communion or Confirmation, children must attend, at the very minimum, TWO FULL YEARS of Christian Formation classes if they are not in our Catholic School system. **No more than three classes per year can be missed** during sacramental preparation. This policy is meant to ensure your child has the best sacramental formation possible. **Weekly Sunday Mass attendance is also a REQUIREMENT for receiving these sacraments.**

First Reconciliation/First Communion

These two sacraments are celebrated in the 2nd grade. Children preparing for them must have attended a prior year of formation, either here or at another parish (need letter from previous parish's Direction of Religious Education). If you have a child beyond the 2nd grade who would like to receive first communion and reconciliation, please contact the Director of Religious Education.

Students are expected to go to Sunday Mass every Sunday, attend class regularly (**no more than 3 absences**), and attend a workshop and rehearsal scheduled in the spring. Parents are required to attend any scheduled parent meetings and parent classes.

Parents must fill out a first communion registration form (available on the Cathedral website) and submit it with their child's baptismal certificate.

Confirmation

Confirmation at the Cathedral is a two-year preparation program, beginning in the fall of 7th grade and ending in the spring of 8th grade. If your child is in 8th grade and has NOT been in a religious education program the previous year, please enroll him/her in the 7th grade class for the fall. If you have an older teen in need of confirmation this year, please call the Director of Religious Education.

**Cathedral of St. John the Baptist School of Christian Formation
Registration Form 2022-23
Grades K4-12th grade**

Please PRINT legibly

Family Name _____ Date _____

Registered at the Cathedral

Envelope # _____

Mailing address _____

(Street)

(City)

(Zip)

Family e-mail _____

Father's name Dr./Mr. _____ Religion _____

Contact phone # _____

Mother's name Dr./Mrs./Ms. _____ Religion _____

Contact phone # _____

Sacraments Received (*please check*)

| | Child's Full Name and Nickname | Grade | Bapt. | Recon. | 1 st Com. | Conf. |
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| 2 | | | | | | |
| 3 | | | | | | |
| 4 | | | | | | |
| 5 | | | | | | |

Allergies or special problems of which we should be aware: (Please list child's name and grade)

FEES: \$35/child

#children _____ **TOTAL COST** _____

**make checks payable to: Cathedral of St. John the Baptist*