

# THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

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Dear Parents,

Thank you for enrolling your child in our Sunday school program for the 2018-2019 school year!

Classes will begin August 26, and the new calendar will be available on the Cathedral website shortly. For your convenience, all forms and fees can be submitted online at [www.charlestoncathedral.com](http://www.charlestoncathedral.com), or mailed to me at the Cathedral parish office at 105 Queen St., or sent to this email: [christian.formation@charlestoncathedral.com](mailto:christian.formation@charlestoncathedral.com). Classes meet from 10:05 a.m.-11:05 a.m. on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Cathedral Center.

Parents with children preparing for sacraments, grades 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>, will be required to attend several parent classes, scheduled throughout the year. These classes will meet on Sundays, 10:15-11:00am, in the lower church. If you have young, non-school age children, the nursery is open at that time.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

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 (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> floor). 2018-19 classes begin on Sunday, August 26.

### 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.

#### **First Reconciliation/First Communion**

These two sacraments are celebrated in the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> grade who would like to receive first communion and reconciliation, please contact the Director of Religious Education.

Students are expected to attend class regularly (**no more than 3 absences**), Sunday Mass, and 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 and submit it with their child's baptismal certificate. First Holy Communion will be on Sunday, May 12, 11:15 am Mass.

#### **Confirmation**

Confirmation at the Cathedral is a two-year preparation program, typically beginning in the fall of 7<sup>th</sup> grade and ending in the spring of 8<sup>th</sup> grade. This year, there will be no scheduled confirmation at the Cathedral. If your child is in 8<sup>th</sup> grade and in need of confirmation, please enroll him/her in the 7<sup>th</sup> 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 (Grades K4-8) Registration Form 2018-2019

*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 <sup>st</sup> Com.	Conf.
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						

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

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**Registration Fees (earlybird special until June 16):**

**\$25.00 per child, cap of \$75 (after June 16, \$35/child, \$105 cap)**

1 child

2 children

3 or more children

TOTAL= \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Make checks payable to Cathedral of St. John the Baptist**

<b>Office use only:</b> Fees paid: \$ _____ Check # _____ Cash _____
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