

St. Joseph Faith Formation Invites You to Join Us In Building the City of God

WHY WE NEED YOU

We need people of every station in life to develop their relationship with Jesus and shape their Catholic identity. The diversity of our families demands a diversity of volunteers

- Are you a PARENT?** Parents are the primary evangelists for their children. Serving as a catechist for your child's class or another class supports all parents' responsibilities for handing on the faith.
- Are you a GRANDPARENT?** Stay connected with the vitality of youth.
- Are you BILINGUAL?** We have a special need for catechists to assist children of Spanish-speaking parents.

WHAT YOU NEED TO COMMIT

Catechists need to be regular participants at parish liturgies and have completed the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist). The children in our program deserve the commitment of adults who will make it a priority to create loving and respectful environments in the classroom. A catechist must commit to the scheduled classes/events for his or her grade level. The calendar generally follows the Public Schools calendar. We will train, support, guide, and pray with you. **Catechists are required to sign a Volunteer Code of Conduct, complete the a background check, and attend a Protecting God's Children Training Session.**

IF YOU ARE NOT READY TO TAKE THIS STEP ALONE...CONSIDER "TEAM-TEACHING"

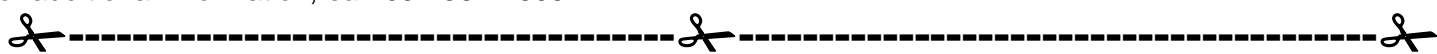
A team may consist of two catechists or one catechist and assistant. A co-catechist/assistant can be a parent, friend, or a junior/senior high school student. An assistant may help with group work, teach various segments of the lesson, maintain discipline, work one-on-one with one student, or substitute the class in a pinch.

INTERESTED? READY TO VOLUNTEER? UNSURE, BUT WANT TO LEARN MORE?

Please complete the tear-off below and return to:

St. Joseph Faith Formation Office 45 Church St., Ronkonkoma, NY 11779.

For additional information, call 631-981-1805.



YES, I AM INTERESTED IN THE CATECHETICAL MINISTRY...

Name _____ Phone# _____

Cell#----- email-----

Address -----

In **2020-21** my child/children will be in grade/s: Name & Grade -----

Would you like to have your child in your class? If so, please state name & grade-----

- I definitely want to be a catechist. I will team teach with (Name & Phone) _____
- I would like to team teach, please suggest a teacher _____

Faith Formation Class Style for 2020-21

Due to social distancing, weekly classes for 2020-21 are conducted online at your convenience.

Additionally, the students will attend a virtual class or church gathering 2x's a month.

In order of preference, my "grade" choices are: 1st _____ 2nd _____

In order of preference, my "day" choices are: 1st _____ 2nd _____

	MONDAY	TUESDAY
4:30-5:30PM	Grades 2 and 3	Grades 4, 5 and 6
4:30-5:30PM		Grades 1 and 7
5:45-6:45PM	Grades 1 and 7	Grades 2 & 3
5:45-6:45PM	Grades 4, 5, and 6	

- I would like to speak with someone about this ministry. Please call me.
- I would like to help with the clerical work in the Faith Formation Office
- I would like to help prepare crafts (no artistic talent required!).
- I would like to help at large group gatherings.