

**CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
2016-2017 PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM**
YOU MUST BE A REGISTERED PARISHIONER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROGRAM.

NEW PROGRAM!
GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER

- ◇ Once a month sessions (you choose)
- ◇ Parents AND children attend
- ◇ Open to all parishioners (singles and couples, with and without children)

We share a light meal together.

No cooking, no serving or clean up. Just come, eat and enjoy!

All-ages opening prayer and learning experience

Introduction to the topic of the session. Presented to all ages using a skit, film, story, activity, etc.

Everyone participates in age-specific groups for a learning session.

All ages learn about the same topic, except they learn according to their stage in life.

Closing Prayer

We share prayer together and home kits are distributed to continue to live what was learned.

How It Works:

Children's classes will no longer be held once a week. They will be held once a MONTH. You choose which day you would prefer to attend. The day you choose will be the session your family will attend throughout the year.

This is NOT a drop-off program. At least one parent must attend with a child. Both parents are welcome. The tuition remains \$125 per child (Grades 1-8). This includes meals and session materials for children and both parents.

Sessions continue year round. You and your family MUST attend 10 out of 12 sessions each year. Busy in February with a sport? Skip the February session and come to the June or July session.

All children must be enrolled every year, whether or not they are preparing for a sacrament. Discipleship is lived and deepened every year of a child's life, especially while they are in the process of initiation, which extends from Baptism through Confirmation. (The three Sacraments of Initiation are Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation.)

For children, sacramental preparation is in addition to this program and is held separately. There is an additional fee of \$50 for sacramental preparation (First Communion, Confirmation). For adults who would like to complete their sacraments, please contact the Religious Education Office.

Pre-school and Kindergarten children are welcome. There are sessions for them. (They pay no tuition.)

Teens (older than Grade 8) are welcome! We will have sessions for them too! Please pay a \$5 dinner donation for them at the door.

Grandparents and grown children welcome! Please pay a \$5 dinner donation at the door.

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Sessions for 2016-2017 are scheduled once a MONTH as follows. Please choose either Sunday or Wednesday session schedule.

Sunday
3 PM – 6 PM

September 18
October 9
November 13
December 11
January 8
February 12
March 12
April 2
May 7
June 11
July 16
August 9

Wednesday
6 PM – 9 PM*

September 21
October 5
November 16
December 7
January 4
February 15
March 15
April 5
May 3
June 7
July 12
August 6

* The Diocese of Metuchen requires a total of 30 hours of religious education per year. A child must attend TEN sessions each year to be up-to-date in their religious education.

Please Note: A copy of the Baptismal Certificate is required for all **first-time students** to our program.

All families must be registered parishioners of the Church of the Sacred Heart South Plainfield, NJ.

This is a tuition-funded program. **TUITION is \$125.00 per child Grades 1-8. There is a Sacramental Fee of \$50.00 for First Eucharist (Grade 2) and Confirmation (Grade 8).** Tuition is **due at the time of registration. After September 5, 2016, there is a late fee penalty of \$50.00 per child.** Special consideration for those with financial difficulty will be determined on a case by case basis.

First Eucharist (Grade 2) and Confirmation (Grade 8) candidates have required preparation events additional to their instructional classes. Specific Sacramental Calendars will be given to candidates in these programs. Children must be up-to-date on their religious education (have attended all prior years of religious education) in order to participate in sacramental preparation.

Sunday (or Saturday Vigil) Mass attendance is the most important part of our curriculum and of Catholic spiritual practice. As Catholic parents, it is your obligation to model your faith and bring your children to Sunday (or Saturday Vigil) Mass. Worshipping God together as a family and as a parish community is what makes us Catholic. We expect families to take this responsibility very seriously.

Contact: Louise Timko Director of Religious Education, Religious Education Office, Church of the Sacred Heart Parish Center, 200 Randolph Ave., South Plainfield, NJ 07080
908-756-0633 ext. 143 or religiouseducation@churchofthesacredheart.net

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PRIMARY EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

FAMILY NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

FATHER'S NAME: _____ RELIGION: _____

MOTHER'S NAME: _____ MAIDEN NAME: _____ RELIGION: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ MOM CELL: _____ DAD CELL: _____

ALTERNATE: PHONE: _____ NAME OF CONTACT: _____

Child's Name	Public School Grade in Sept. 2016	Religious Ed Grade Level	Baptism Yes/No	Communion Yes/No	Penance Yes/No
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					
6.					

Does your child have a learning disability? Yes ___ No ___ If "yes" please explain.

Does your child have Food Allergy? Yes _____ No _____ If "yes" please explain.

What session will your family attend? _____ Sunday _____ Wednesday

For planning purposes, what is the total number in your family who will attend? _____

For planning purposes, how many children younger than grade 1 will attend with you? _____

For planning purposes, how many teens will/might attend with you? _____

Registration form continues on next page.

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Our program is overwhelmingly made possible by the dedication and creativity of volunteers. Won't you help? Everyone has a gift to share and everyone is invited to pitch in! Many volunteers need only assist for about 20 minutes a session. Please indicate where you would like to join in during 2016-2017.

Sunday Sessions

- Catechist
- Catechist aide
- Prayer Leader/Reader
- Musician (instrumental and vocal)
- Hospitality and registration
- Creative arts for environment and intergenerational learning experience

Wednesday Sessions

- Catechist
- Catechist aide
- Prayer Leader/Reader
- Musician (instrumental and vocal)
- Hospitality and registration
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I hereby release the Diocese of Metuchen and Church of the Sacred Heart from any and all claims, actions and liability of whatever nature and relating to the use of said photographs and/or videos.

Signature

Date