

To: Faith Formation Parents and Guardians

From: Sr. Joanne

Date: Week of October 6, 2024

Re: Faith Formation Class Schedule, Expectations for the Year, October Service Month, Enrollment

### **Faith Formation Class Schedule**

Please note that NEXT week, **the week of October 13, there are NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES** due to Columbus Day/Indigenous Person's Day. Enjoy the break, stay close to Jesus and do something together as a family.

### **Expectations for the Year**

The catechists who teach faith formation are volunteers who have been called by Jesus to share their faith with the children of our Family of Parishes in a meaningful way. Their job is to complement and supplement what you are doing at home to guide your children in the practice of their faith. Our expectations for your children include the following:

- Being respectful of their teacher and other students in the class
- Maintaining a safe environment through self-control
- Participating in class activities and discussions in a courteous manner
- Being motivated to learn and grow in their faith

I am here to support you in your role as parents and to also support the teachers in the learning activities they choose for the children.

### **October Service Month**

Our Faith Formation Service Month is underway. We are collecting nonperishable items for all the food pantries in our Family of Parishes as well as winter outer wear for men, women and children.

Point values have been assigned to each item to be donated. Your child is asked to bring his/her donation to the classroom where the teacher will tally and record the points for the whole class. The class with the greatest number of points during the first week of November will win a special treat.

If you have any questions, please reach out to me or Belinda Pappal, office manager.

### **Enrollment**

Our mission here is to draw everyone to the heart of Christ, especially the youngest members of our community. As of the writing of this newsletter we have close to 240 children enrolled this year. There is still room for anyone who wishes to join us. Please partner with us and invite those you know to join us.