

2008-2009 CHRISTIAN FORMATION – INFORMATION SHEET

Registration Form:

- Please review the information on the front of the form and mark corrections/additions as needed. Then complete the reverse side of the form and check [x] the appropriate boxes.
- Pay special attention to entering the *school attending*, *grade in fall* and *preferred e-mail*. This information will greatly help the office with record keeping.

Parental Involvement:

- With a combined program of *over 700* students, many hands are needed to assure a high quality program. Archdiocesan standards are established for child/adult ratios in our programs. We encourage you to share your time and faith with the children and youth of the parish. Team teaching is strongly encouraged. **We provide a variety of personalized training opportunities for parents or other adults to assist as catechists and classroom aides.**

Schedule:

- Please refer to **both sides** of the yellow schedule for important dates.
- There is a **required parent meeting** for all programs, *except Confirmation*, at the North Church on Wednesday, September 24th at 7 PM.
- **Programs**
 - Please carefully consider your program and session choices. Effective September 1, 2008 any requested changes will only be made on the basis of available space. Please indicate your preferred choice on the back of the registration form. Classes will be assigned on a first come first serve basis and are subject to availability of catechists.
 - **K4-K5:** Formation offered for these grades at 9 AM on Sunday mornings or at the Family Program on Monday evenings.
 - **Grade 1-5:** Formation offered for these grades at the Monday Family Program or on Wednesday evenings at **either** 4:30-5:45 PM **or** 6:15-7:30 PM. Please indicate your choice on the back of the registration form.
 - **Grade 6-10:** Formation offered for grades 6-7 at the Monday Family Program or on Wednesday evenings. Formation offered for grades 8-10 at the Family Program, Wednesday evenings or Sundays afternoons.
 - **Grade 11:** Confirmation preparation information has been mailed separately. Call the office if you need information to register for this program.
 - **Family Program:** This vibrant program provides an alternative for families with children across various grade levels (K4-10) with childcare provided for younger children. Families come together from 5:30-7:30PM on Monday evenings to share a delicious meal, gather for age specific formation – including adult formation, family activities and communal prayer. *Children and youth follow the same curriculum as those in the traditional program within their own grade level.*

Sacramental Preparation – First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation: First Reconciliation and First Eucharist are normally celebrated in Grade 2. Refer to the back of the schedule for additional meetings. *Catechesis for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist begins in 1st Grade. This formation, in addition to attending Mass and preparation at home, provides the foundation for these sacraments.* Confirmation is normally celebrated in Grade 11. *Preparation begins in Grade 9 and continues through Grade 11, including service and retreat components.*