

Weekly Letter from our DRE

September 1, 2020

Greetings OLPH RE Families!

Thank you to so many of you for registering your children for OLPH Religious Education classes. RE Registration remains open with no late fee, so please invite your friends and neighbors to sign up. Monthly payment plans and scholarships are available. Please contact Margaret Waldron for more information and to apply.

Registration remains open at the following link: [Religious Education Registration 2020 21](#)

Tuition and Sacramental Fee Payment link

here: **<https://www.givecentral.org/location/552/event/18769>**

2020-2021 Rates for Religious Education Program

We are delighted to offer a complete digital RE Program for our children and families during the pandemic for grades preschool through 8th grade. We cannot do RE the same way we offered in the pre-pandemic environment or we will fail. The same rate applies to all models of RE remote learning. One child: \$325; 2 children \$425; 3 or more children \$525; Family Catechesis is a per child rate as described above. Sacramental Fee for the 2nd year of sacramental preparation in 2nd and 8th grade is \$75. No fee is charged for 1st year of sacramental preparation in 1st and 7th grades. Non-parishioner registration fee: \$100.

“You will love it here; OLPH is a magnet for a reason.”

We encourage you to register at our parish or update your family information at this link: <https://www.olphglenview.org/register-or-update-registration>. Why is parishioner registration important? Because it connects you and your family more deeply to our parish community on many levels now and in years to come. We want you to enjoy our parish life even during the pandemic. When I first arrived here, one of the parishioners explained to me, “You will love it here; OLPH is a magnet for a reason.” Join the magnet!

All RE Learning is remote learning with 3 models

Those of you who have registered so far will hear from me soon about class day and time assignments. Below are the learning models we are offering.

Catechist Led-Student Classroom Model – Classes are led by the Catechist for the students connected via a Zoom virtual meeting place. Classes will be held on the days of the week as follows: Mondays at 4:30pm; Tuesdays at 4:30pm and 6:30pm; Wednesdays at 4:30pm; and Saturdays at 9:00am.

Parent/Children at Home Model – Classes are led by parents to teach their own children at home according to the same weekly lessons as the Catechist Led-Student Classroom Model above. Each student will be completing the same lesson each week whether student is learning via Zoom with Catechist or remote learning at home with parents. Parents will be guided and provided with catechist online training and materials.

Family Catechesis Model – Classes are led by Catechists for families connected via a Zoom virtual meeting place this Fall and plan for in-person sessions as soon as practical. Families meet for once a month on a Friday at 6:30pm, or Sunday at 10:45am to follow 9:30am Family Mass.

Introducing FORMED.org! The best Catholic digital platform for children and adults

You will be hearing about FORMED.org and how we will be rolling out FORMED.org at our parish and utilizing it for RE and beyond. Below is the promotional video and instructions how to sign in. [**https://vimeo.com/356991133**](https://vimeo.com/356991133)

- Go to [**https://formed.org/signup**](https://formed.org/signup)
- Enter the parish zip code (60025), choose your parish, and click next
- Type in your name and email address, click next.
- Go to your email and click the link to watch. You will get into FORMED to begin browsing.

Here is a link for Kids movies! [**https://watch.formed.org/kids-1**](https://watch.formed.org/kids-1)

NEW! Catechetical Sunday, September 20, 2020

"I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you."

Please save the date for Catechetical Sunday, September 20 at 9:30am Mass in the Playdium. We will commission and bless our RE and SPRED catechists for another year at this Mass who are present and those watching Mass online. More information forthcoming.

Please contact me if you have questions or concerns via phone or email below. Let us continue to pray for an end to this pandemic and all its harmful effects. Our Lady of Perpetual Help, pray for us and help us!

Margaret Waldron

Director of Religious Education
mwaldron@olphglenview.org

847-998-5289