

SAINT MICHAEL PARISH

September 5, 2024

Dear Families,

Welcome to the second year of Youth Faith Formation, or YFF. Father Lavelle, the catechists and volunteers, and I are all very excited to begin a new year of learning, growing, and coming to a closer relationship with God.

Classes begin on September 8th at 10:05 – 11:20 am. All classes will meet in the Family Life Center. This should help some of the parking lot traffic concerns. I ask that everyone be patient and careful in the parking lots the first few weeks as parishioners adjust to the children returning to classes.

Here are a few important notes and reminders:

- ❖ Children in grades Kindergarten through 4 should be walked to and picked up from their classroom, for safety purposes.
- ❖ Please use the **main double doors at the front of the Family Life Center**. The side doors will be locked. We want to ensure the people who come into the building *should* be coming into the building.
- ❖ As an additional safety precaution, the doors will be locked at 10:15 am and unlocked at 11:15 am. There will be volunteers at the doors during class time.
- ❖ There will be signs and volunteers directing you to classrooms.
- ❖ Classroom assignments are:
 - Kindergarten, room 3
 - First Grade, room 1
 - Second Grade, room 2
 - Third/Fourth Grade, Gym
 - Fifth/Sixth Grade, Youth Room (off the gym)
 - Seventh/Eighth Grade, Room 4
- ❖ If you need to pick up your child early, be sure to let me know via Remind or in writing before Sunday. Please, do not give a note to your child's catechist. I need to let the Door Guardian Angels know to let you into the building and get your child from class.
- ❖ The September Newsletter and handbook will be sent home this week.
- ❖ Attendance at Mass is an integral and essential part of faith formation. We ask for a minimum of more than half the Sunday Masses for the year (including summer) for Mass attendance. Mass cards are available at the doors as you enter church.

Please be sure to contact me in writing (email or Remind are best) with any updates, absences, early dismissals or questions. I cannot remember when someone tells me something verbally.

God bless,



Miss Fessler