

July 2017

Dear Mater Christi Family,

Hello!!! The summer is passing quickly, and we are looking ahead to our next catechetical year.

It is time to enroll for the 2017/2018 school year. In efforts to meet the Archdiocesan requirements, there are two forms that need to be on file for every student registered at Mater Christi. One is a Permanent Record form, and one is a Medical Release form. If your child participated in the program last year, the Permanent Record form **does not** need to be completed again unless there are any changes in address, phone numbers, email, etc.

However, Archdiocesan and legal policies require that we have a current Medical Release form on file for each student each year. **All** students must have a completed and signed Medical Release form for the upcoming session, even if it seems that nothing has changed. The forms are available on the parish website www.materchristichurch.com under the Faith Formation tab. If you have filled out the form and turned it in during the pre-registration at the end of the 2016/2017 Faith Formation year, you do not need to fill out a new form.

Registration: Registration will take place on July 28th from 6:30pm through 8:30pm at the Faith Formation office in the school building. If you have filled out the Faith Formation Pre-Registration paperwork at the end of the 2016/2017 school year, you are **still required** to attend the formal registration. At this time, you may sign your children up for classes and make your first tuition payment. If you are unable to register during these available times, please mail or drop off the forms and tuition payment back to the parish office to my attention. Please submit all forms and initial tuition payments by Friday, August 18th for proper registration. **If your registration and payment has not been received by this date, a \$25 late charge will be applied to your account.**

Tuition: The tuition fee will remain the same as last year. For participating families of Mater Christi Church: one child (\$150), two children (\$250), three or more children (\$325). For non-participating families of Mater Christi Church: one child (\$250), two children (\$375), three or more children (\$450). If you have questions about whether or not your family is qualified as a participating family, please contact the rectory. You must have completed and submitted a registration card with the parish to be official parishioners. There will be cards available at the Faith Formation registration evening.

Baptismal Certificate: Unless your child was baptized at Mater Christi Church (which **must** be indicated on the permanent record form), we will need a copy of the original baptismal certificate from the parish at which your child was baptized. This must be submitted with registration.

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Sacramental Fee: A sacramental fee is required in the amount of \$25 fee for each student making his or her First Holy Communion or Confirmation. Second grade, seventh grade, and eighth grade students will be assessed the fee. This fee will help cover the extra costs of additional books, supplies, and retreats, etc. for sacramental preparation. This fee should be paid upon registration. *(This fee may not be discounted in the total tuition cost if paid in full in August.)*

Payments: This year we are again asking all families to choose a payment option from those listed below:

- a) Families pay the full tuition upon registration, will receive a 10% discount on the annual tuition.
- b) Families pay half of the tuition upon registration and the other half is due by December 16, 2017.
- c) Families pay one-third of the tuition upon registration, one-third of the tuition by December 16, 2017, and one-third of the tuition by March 17th, 2018.

If you are still carrying a balance on your account from the previous Faith Formation year, payment of the balance must be paid upon registration for the 2017/2018 school year. Also, full payment for the 2017/2018 Faith Formation year must be paid upon registration.

Schedule: Classes begin on Saturday, September 9th. All students must report to class by 8:00am that day and will be dismissed at 9:50am. The schedule is also posted on the parish website. With the continued support and dedication of our parish and of our catechists, this year holds much promise.

Sharing Assemblies: We will continue our sharing assemblies this year. Please note the day(s) scheduled for your child's class presentation and plan to join us that day at 9:00am to observe the assembly and then join other parents for a discussion immediately following until dismissal at 9:50am.

Thank you very much. I greatly look forward to working with you as we continue to guide our parish youth in faith. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (708) 442-5611.

Sincerely,

Julie Paitl
Mater Christi Religious Education Secretary