



2025-2026: Religious Education Offerings and Session Calendar

Dear Religious Education Families...

I am pleased to announce our Religious Education offerings for this year and believe we have several options that will meet the needs of our families while still providing a solid formation curriculum to deepen the faith of our families and children.

Option A: We will continue to offer our *Traditional Classroom Model (CCD)* class sessions by grade listed below along with our Parent Enrichment sessions which will be held during the same time slots as our student classes. Both Student and Parent Enrichments sessions will not conflict with our Mass schedule which will give you the flexibility to go to the Mass that is convenient for you and your family.

8:30am: Family Sunday Liturgy

9:30-10:20am: Faith Formation/Deary Hall Building (East & West)

PreK/K

Grade 1 (First Communion Prep)

Grade 2 (First Communion Prep)

Grade 3

Grade 4

Grade 5

Grade 6

9:30-10:20am: Parent Enrichment Session-FFE-Library

10:30am: Family Sunday Liturgy

11:30am-12:20pm: Faith Formation/Deary Hall (East)

Grade 7

Grade 8

Grade 9 (Confirmation Prep/Year 1)-First Friday (6:30-8pm) & First Sunday (Attend 10:30am Mass + Class)

Grade 10 (Confirmation Prep/Year 2)-Third Friday (6:30-8pm) & Third Sunday (Attend 10:30am Mass + Class)

11:30am-12:20pm: Parent Enrichment Session-FFE-Library

12:30pm: Contemporary Sunday Liturgy

Option B: Family Formation Sessions (Based on interest) will take place once a month on a designated day where parents and children attend together learning and deepening their faith through classroom instruction, prayer experiences, Mass attendance, Adoration and Sacramental Prep where need be for the children. At-home assignments will be included to be completed before the next Family Formation Session.

Option C: Independent Study is offered for those families and students who have missed several years of Religious Education, would like a refresher to enter their next appropriate grade level or need to complete their Sacraments.

Option D: OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults)- Is offered to those adults and children who desire to be fully initiated into the Catholic Faith with class sessions that take place on Sunday mornings. There is a separate session calendar for this formation offering and can be shared upon request.

Cost for each Option for the year:

Option A: Traditional Classroom Model (CCD)-Sunday Mornings

Before August 15th: \$40.00 per child, \$80.00 per family

Sacramental Families:

First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion: \$50.00 per child

Confirmation: \$60.00 per child

After August 15th: \$45.00 per child, \$90.00 per family

Sacramental Families:

First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion: \$55.00 per child

Confirmation Year 1 & 2: \$65.00 per child per year

Option B: Family Formation Sessions-Once per month, based on interest.

Before August 15th: \$90.00 per family*

After August 15th: \$100.00 per family*

*This includes all materials, refreshments and snacks each month, October 2025-May 2026.

Option C: Independent Study-The cost of this offering is determined based on materials to be used per family but tends to follow the same cost structure as the Traditional Classroom Model (CCD).

Registration: To participate in any of the offers outlined we ask that you make sure you register as a *Saint Katharine Drexel Parishioner* using the form provided along with filling out the *Religious Education Registration Form* and selecting which formation option you would like, Option A, B, or C at the top right of the registration form before submitting. Also, if your child has completed their Sacraments, we ask that you include a copy of their Sacramental certificate for their file, i.e. Baptism, First Reconciliation/Holy Communion or Confirmation, when registering to hold their spot in class.

Registration Fees: Can be paid in-person, online or over the phone and we take cash, check, debit, and credit cards.

August

10	Beginning of the Year Catechist Meeting	9:30am -PH
17	Religious Ed General/Parent Meeting	9:30am -PH
24	Religious Ed Sacraments/Parent Meeting	9:30am -PH

September

7	Religious Ed Registration-Before/After All Masses
14	Classes begin/All Grades
21	In-Person-Catechetical Sunday
28	In-Person

October

5	In-Person
12	In-Person
19	In-Person
26	In-Person

November

2	In-Person-Saint Procession 8:30am & 10:30am Masses
2	Trunk O' Treat-1:30pm FFW Parking Lot
9	In-Person
16	In-Person
23	In-Person
30	In-Person- <i>Advent Begins!</i>

December

7	In-Person
13	Breakfast with Santa, 9am-12pm-PH
14	In-Person
21	NO CLASS- <i>Merry Christmas!</i>
28	NO CLASS- <i>Happy New Year!</i>

January

4	Classes Resume- <i>In-Person</i>
11	In-Person
18	NO CLASS- <i>MLK Weekend!</i>
25	In-Person

February

1	In-Person
8	In-Person
15	NO CLASS- <i>President's Weekend!</i>
18	Ash Wednesday
22	In-Person

March

1	In-Person
7	First Reconciliation-10:30am-CH
8	In-Person
15 & 22	NO CLASS- <i>Spring Break!</i>
28	Easter Egg Hunt
29	No Class- <i>Palm Sunday</i>

April

5 NO CLASS-*Easter Sunday! He is Risen!*
 12 In-Person/*Divine Mercy Sunday*
 18 First Holy Communion Rehearsal & Family Retreat-10:30am-CH & PH
 19 In-Person
 25-26 First Holy Communion Weekend-4:30pm & 12:30pm/NO Classes

May

4 In-Person
 3-4 Confirmation Rehearsal-1:30pm & Mass 6:30pm (*Proposed dates*)
 9 Crowning of Mary-CH
 10 In-Person
 17 In-Person-Last Day of Classes
 24 Pentecost

Confirmation Preparation Class Schedule 2025-2026**Confirmation Year 1 Required Dates**

(Wednesdays start at 6pm in the chapel/ pick up at 8:30 in the youth room. Students should bring a bible and a rosary. Sundays are 11:30 to 1:30 in the youth room. Students attend Mass with their families at their preferred Mass time each Sunday)

2025

October 5, 15, 22

November 2, 12 (DOV Youth Rally 11/15), 19

December 7, 17

2026

January 11, 21, 28

February 1, 11, 18

March 1, 11, 18

April 12, 22, 29

May 3, 13, 20

Confirmation Year 2

Required Dates (Wednesdays start at 6pm in the chapel/ pick up at 8:30 in the youth room. Students should bring a bible and a rosary. Sundays are 11:30 to 1:30 in the youth room. Students MUST attend Mass with their families at their preferred Mass time each Sunday)

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2026

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Upper Room Wednesdays and FaceTime Fridays are open to any youth, but attendance is required for those students in formation for Confirmation Years 1 and 2 for Upper Room on Wednesdays.

Prerequisite: ALL Confirmation Year 1 or 2 students must attend a Theology of the Body Session with their parent(s) prior to entering the program or before Confirmation. Session Offerings will be held on Tuesday evening, 6-7:30pm on the following dates in 2025: July 1-August 26, September 30-November 11 and in 2026 January 27-March 25.

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FFE- Faith Formation Building East Wing
FFW- Faith Formation Building West Wing
FFEL-Faith Formation Building East
Library
FFEYR-Faith Formation Building E Youth
Room
CH- Church
PH- Parish Hall