

St. Peter Parish Religious Education
Welcome to the 2016-17 School Year!

Questions? Call the Religious Education Office at 586-868-5134
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- **Classes begin on Monday, Sept. 19 or Tuesday, Sept. 20 for Grades 1-8 from 4:15-5:30 PM**
- **Location: St. Mary School, 2 Union St., Mt. Clemens**
- **Drop off Procedure:** Please enter the parking lot by taking Cass to Washington and then to Union street. By going through the neighborhood, we have a smooth flow of traffic. Exit the parking lot onto Southbound Gratiot. **DO NOT ENTER THE PARKING LOT FROM GRATIOT.**
- **Pick up Procedure:** All students are dismissed from the same door to eliminate confusion. Students **MUST WAIT WITH THEIR TEACHER UNTIL AN ADULT COMES TO MEET THEM AND ESCORT THEM TO THE VEHICLE.** (This also applies to Junior High Students!) Do not park in unlined areas as this inhibits traffic flow.
- All students must be registered before they may be admitted to class. Registration forms can be obtained at the Parish Office, 110 New Street or online on the Parish website.
- If you register during the week of Sept. 19, your child will begin class the week of Sept. 26. Please know that many classes are already closed since registration began last April.
- Family Handbooks and Calendars will be distributed by the third week of classes.

First Day Information for Grade 1 Only

1. Please enter the school at the door marked "Grade 1,2,3,4".
2. Class lists will be posted on the door. Please find the name of your child's teacher.
3. The Orientation Meeting will be held in the Assembly Room of the school. You will be directed there by one of our volunteers.
4. The Meeting will last 15 minutes. Procedures and guidelines will be explained.
5. The first grade teachers will introduce themselves and then they will escort the children to the classrooms. Parents will follow after a few minutes to see the hallway procedures and classrooms.
6. Parents are then requested to return to their cars so the teachers can get acquainted with the children and begin their lessons. This is not a time to stroll through the school.
7. Religion books, Family Handbooks and calendars will be distributed.
8. The teachers will escort the children to the dismissal door at 5:30 PM.
9. Parents are required to meet the children by their teacher.

The system works very well. Please give everyone a few weeks to become adjusted. Thanks for your cooperation!

First Day Information for Grades 2-8

1. Classes are held at St. Mary School.
2. Class lists will be posted on the school doors marked "Grades 1,2,3,4" or "Grades 5,6,7,8".
3. If your child's name is not on a class list, please come to the hallway where the Religious Education Office is located. Volunteers will assist you inside the door.
4. Students will wait in supervised areas in the hallways each week. Doors will open at 4:00 PM. Teachers will escort the students to their classrooms at 4:15 PM. They will also walk the students to the dismissal doors at 5:30 PM. Parents must meet their children by the teachers and walk with them to the vehicle.
5. Religion books and materials will be distributed the first day.
6. Please be sure your child brings his book, folder and pencil to class each week.
7. Check the folders for parent notes after each session. There may not be a note each week.
8. Please remind your child to be on his best behavior!

Preschool Classes (ages 3, 4 and 5) will be held in the Fr. Welch Hall Lower Level during the 10:00 Mass on Sundays. Classes begin on Sept. 18. We welcome Mrs. Kathy Helferty as our Director and her Assistant, Jody Clayton. Mrs. Helferty and Mrs. Clayton have worked in the Program as well as had their own children attend. These wonderful ladies and their families are members of St. Peter Parish. Mrs. Helferty and Mrs. Clayton are experienced in working with very young children and they do an outstanding job!

All volunteers are required to take the "Protecting God's Children" workshop and have completed a Background Check. If you wish to help, please call our Office (586-868-5134) on Mondays or Tuesdays for information.

The teachers and our support staff wish everyone a wonderful school year!