

Religious Education



St. Matthew's Catholic Parish
419 Mill Street
Campbellsport, WI 53010

Shepherd of the Hills Catholic Parish
W1562 County Road B
Eden, WI 53019

March 14, 2018

Dear St. Matthew's and Shepherd of the Hills Families,

Enclosed is a registration form, volunteer form, and calendars for the 2018-2019 Religious Education year. Please complete and return all forms with payment (or partial payment if necessary) to St. Matthew's or Shepherd of the Hills with payment by **Sunday, July 1, 2018**.

- Participation in the religious education program is not required for Kindergarten students. A Kindergarten class will not be offered during the 2018-19 school year. However, kindergarten students are encouraged to register for Sunday School at St. Matthew's. See parish website.
- **Participation in first grade classes is required for students to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist in the second grade.** Incoming second grade students who did not participate in first grade classes **MUST** register by July 1st and speak with the DRE about which religious education class level they will be in.
- Families with students enrolled at St. Mary's Springs Academy should register and participate in St. Matthew and Shepherd of the Hills religious education programs for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist, and Confirmation. **SMSA High School students should complete ALL registration paperwork for office purposes.** Additional information about SMSA Religious Education participation can be found on the parish website.
 - ✓ Sacramental preparation is not part of the SMSA curriculum and students are required to attend their home parish for sacramental preparation.
 - ✓ Sacramental preparation for Reconciliation and Eucharist takes place in the second grade. Preparation for Confirmation takes place in grades 9-11, with Confirmation scheduled during the junior year of high school.
 - ✓ In recognition of the financial commitment parents make to send their children to St. Mary Springs Academy, the religious education programs at Shepherd of the Hills will be offered at no cost, except Sacramental Fees.
- Scrip credit earned between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018 will be deducted from your religious education fees. A statement of profits earned is available from the parish offices upon request.

VOLUNTEER DISCOUNT

Per Father Mark: Catechists, classroom aids, Edge Core, and Life Teen Core will receive a discount on religious education fees (excluding Sacramental Fees) of **one free family member** enrolled in the grade 1-12 programs. If needed, please contact Katie Boehm for help calculating family fees for volunteers.

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2018-2019 Religious Education Fees (Sacramental fees included)

Per Father Mark: Due to the decrease in weekly Mass contributions, Religious Education fees have increased \$10 per student for the 2018-2019 School Year.

Grade	SMC or SOTH Members	Non Members	SMSA
Grade School (gr. 1,3,4,5)	\$80.00	\$160.00	\$0.00
Grade School (gr. 2)	\$120.00 (\$40 is Sacrament Fees)	\$200.00	\$40.00
The Edge (gr. 6, 7, 8)	\$90.00	\$180.00	\$0.00
Life Teen (gr. 9 ,10,)	\$90.00	\$180.00	\$0.00
Life Teen (gr. 11)	\$190.00 (\$100 is Sacrament Fees)	\$280.00	\$100.00
Life Teen (gr. 12)	\$0	\$80	\$0.00

The maximum fee for SMC and SOTH Parish Families, excluding Sacramental Fees is \$270.00.

First Communion

St. Matthew's and Shepherd of the Hills second graders participate in sacramental preparation through classes on Mondays or Wednesday evenings. First Communion preparation involves a First Communion Retreat, First Communion practice, and First Communion itself. The First Communion date for each parish is TBD. The dress code for First Communion is "Easter Best".

Confirmation

All St. Matthew's and Shepherd of the Hills juniors are able to participate in the Sacrament of Confirmation. Sacramental preparation (in addition to Life Teen sessions) will be online through a program called "Called To Mercy". There are five additional sessions during the year just for juniors. A separate mailing for Confirmation will be sent out in July. Most questions regarding Confirmation can be answered via the 2018-2019 Confirmation Handbook found on each parish's website. The **Confirmation Retreat** will be **Saturday, January 12th, 2019 9am-5pm**. The **Confirmation Meeting** for students and parents will be **Sunday, September 9th, 2018 at 10:30am** in St. Matthew's Church.

If you are in need of a payment plan or have questions about registration please contact Katie Boehm, Director of Religious Education at (920) 960-1550 or kboehm@sothparish.org.

Yours in Christ Jesus,

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