



St. Therese and Ss. Peter and Paul
Parish School of Religion Program
2023-2024



July 2023

Dear Parents,

The PSR Program teaches children in grades Kindergarten through 8th Grade about the Catholic faith and her traditions. Throughout the PSR year, the students will have the chance to visit and spend time in the Church for confessions, Masses, Adoration, and Stations of the Cross. Special traditions will be experienced such as Ash Wednesday, St. Nicholas Day, and May Crowning along with getting to know some of the Saints and the true meaning of the Eucharist throughout the year.

The PSR Program is supported and funded by St. Therese and Ss. Peter and Paul Parishes equally. In respect to the program being fully supported and funded by both parishes, the program tries to incorporate events at or for both parishes. Children from St. Therese and Ss. Peter and Paul Parishes are welcome to the program.

This year's theme is "God's Greatest Gift: The Eucharist" and we will focus on the Eucharist, what and whom it is, and why it's important to our faith in addition to their regular class materials. Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 13, 2023, and run every Wednesday at 6:00 pm to 7:15 pm until May 15, 2024 with the occasional week off in honor of Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year, Holy Week, and Easter Week. Classes will be held in the St. Therese Church Hall, 5276 East 105th Street, Garfield Heights, Ohio 44125.

We will once again be using the REMIND app as the main communication for the PSR program, such as reminders, notification of cancellations, sacramental information, and seasonal information. Please see the PSR 2023-2024 Schedule for the REMIND code. REMIND is a free app and text messages. Many schools use the app for communication as well. It is crucial to have the REMIND app so you can be notified throughout the year, especially during the winter. This is the main and most direct way to relay messages to the parents and the PSR Coordinator.

We are accepting students who wish to prepare for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation. Even though it is beneficial to have the year prior completed before the sacramental preparation, all baptized children can come to receive sacramental preparation. More information about each Sacrament will be provided at the parent meetings scheduled throughout the year. If you have any questions about sacramental preparation, or if you have a child who you would like baptized or received into the Catholic Church please contact the PSR Coordinator, Mrs. Joanna Parsons.

Both parish offices will be accepting PSR Registration Forms the entire month of August. Please submit your \$25 registration fee per child when you turn in the registration form. Checks made payable to St. Therese Church and in the memo PSR Registration: Your Child's Name. If you need assistance with the fee please email jparsons@sttheresegarfield.org, or leave a message at 216-581-2852 ext. 10.

You will find the 2023-2024 PSR Registration and Schedule included with the letter, and additional forms will be available at both offices. If you have any questions about our program, please contact Mrs. Joanna Parsons via email jparsons@sttheresegarfield.org or call St. Therese Parish Office at 216-581-2852 ext. 10.

In Christ,

Mrs. Joanna M. Parsons
PSR Coordinator