HOLY FAMILY PREP

Parish Religious Education Program

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To: Families of PREP Students

From: Joseph Barnett, Coordinator of Religious Education

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PREP OPENING Monday, September 8th 6:30 - 7:30 PM

St. John Church/Parents & Students

Hello,

My name is Joseph Barnett, and I am the new Coordinator of Religious Education at Holy Family Parish. Many of you may already know me, as I have been a music minister for the parish for the past two years. I'm looking forward to this new opportunity to play a role in your students' formation in the Church.

A warm welcome back to all our wonderful PREP families returning from last year, and a special welcome to those joining PREP for the first time! I'm here to assist you with any questions you may have about the program and to support you throughout the year. May the Holy Spirit guide and enlighten us as we begin this new year together in PREP.

Students previously enrolled are automatically advanced to the next grade level. **Please register new students** with me as soon as possible by contacting: ibarnett@holyfamilymiddletown.com

An envelope is enclosed for the registration fee (which can be dropped in the collection basket at Mass or brought to PREP). If you prefer to pay by credit card or direct withdrawal from your bank account, you can do this through our website www.holyfamilymiddletown.com

VERY IMPORTANT: I will continue to use the "Remind" app for communication. You can download the app if you haven't already and use class code **@dgolemb** to join for updates. Or you can text the message **@dgolemb** to the phone number **81010**. Please be sure to sign up for "Remind" as soon as possible, as this will enable you to receive updates and important information, as well as contact me with any questions. If you experience any technical difficulties, send me an email to the address listed above.

A copy of the **class schedule** for the year is enclosed. Please note that the "Important Events" with Sacramental information for 2nd and 8th graders is also included. For safety reasons, please remember that children in grades K-3 are to be personally brought into the building and picked up inside the building. Also, for safety reasons, I will be asking for volunteers to monitor the parking lot at arrival and dismissal times. *Parents – You are welcome to spend your time in the Center while your child is in class*.

Please join us for our Mass under the tent, followed by our Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 7th, 2025, at St. John XXIII School. Mass begins at 10:30 with the picnic to follow at 11:30. We look forward to seeing you there! PREP begins the next day!