

St. Patrick Religious Education 2023-24 School Year Instructions for Homeschool Students

Parents are an integral part of their child's religious education. Without reinforcement from you, your child will not understand the importance and value of his or her faith. The most important way to build your child's faith is to attend Mass, either in-person or online, pray together at night, before meals, and as a family. Homeschool students rely even more heavily on their parents for help in learning about their faith. There is more to homeschool than just reading the chapter.

Loyola Press has many tools to assist parents in the development of their child's faith. Parent resources can be found by visiting: <https://www.loyolapress.com/faith-formation/finding-god/finding-god-2021/parents-and-students/>. Here you will find information about how to teach multiple children at the same time, as well as Grade and Session specific lesson plans, study guides and other resources.

Please take the time to check out this valuable resource!

For Homeschool Students:

Homeschool Parents may choose to follow the order of chapters in the child's book OR to use the Religious Education Calendar* as a guide for covering topics that go together or holidays in the church at the appropriate time of year. Homeschool students are asked to complete their work by May 31, 2024 (2nd grade students should complete all chapters by May 1, 2024. A student who does not turn in his or her work will be marked as incomplete for the year if not finished by this date unless the parent has discussed extenuating circumstances with the office prior to the due date.

The **green text** indicates the minimum required for Homeschool Students.

Steps for Homeschool Students:

1. Read the chapter/session with your child, or be sure your child reads the session.
 - a. Do optional activities if desired such as
 - i. QR code activities (Grades 1-6 only, embedded within the digital book)
 - ii. **Art Prints PDF***
2. Have your child complete the **Interactive Session Review** for the chapter/session covered until he or she achieves a 100% score. Interactive Session Reviews are available on the Loyola website at this link: <https://www.loyolapress.com/faith-formation/finding-god/finding-god-2021/parents-and-students/>. Click appropriate grade and then scroll down to find the chapter/session specific review. *At the end of the session review, please enter the parent email for the results. Do NOT email results to our email.*
3. Record on **Paper Homeschool Log***: Parents should sign, date and record session completed on the **Paper Homeschool Log**. Turn in the paper log when your child finishes the work for the year.
4. Record on **Google Form Homeschool Log**: In addition to the Paper Homeschool Log, please record your child's progress throughout the year on the **Google Form Homeschool Log** by clicking this link: <https://forms.gle/FNAzfTUvTujw8U2F9>. This allows us to keep track of student progress during the year.

*Available as a PDF download from our new website