**At-Home Classes using Christ Our Life (Loyola Press)**

**Thank you for joining us in this year of home study for Religious Education!** We look forward to supporting you with materials and information to make this a great year for your child’s faith formation.

Every student will receive a student book with a syllabus, along with other materials. We will follow a typical PRE year, staying with the school calendars for scheduled breaks. Each grade’s syllabus will list the date and chapter that should be covered. Your child will be assigned to a class led by a volunteer catechist who will contact you each month by email to check on their progress and offer help and materials if needed.

**Lesson Help -** Our book has a LOT of support and activities online. Please read the information below to help you become familiar with what is offered. **Adjust your lessons to fit your family**. Some families may want to take advantage of all the extra materials, others may want to simply cover the material in the book. The most important thing is to share your faith with your children as you help them with their lessons and attend mass as a family each week.

Go to [**www.christourlife.com**](http://www.christourlife.com)You will see a page with the following options:

* **Family Resources**: Click on the grade level – you will find interactive chapter reviews for each chapter. The **Stump the Shepherd** unit review is a favorite with our PRE students!
* **Catechist and Teacher Resources** – **You will need an access code for this choice: col-2016.** Click on the grade level on the left side list – there you will see more detailed lesson plans for parish students. You can use these to provide more background information as you teach the lesson.
  + Use the **ACTIVITY FINDER** to find great activities – just type in a key word, like “Beatitudes” and you will be directed to several ideas.
  + BLM (black line masters) worksheets are available for each lesson and may be printed. The “Teacher BLM” section gives you the answers!
* **Director & Principal** – **uses the same access code: col-2016.** This section has articles, retreat ideas, etc.