



## Immaculate Conception Church

Religious Education  
535 8<sup>th</sup> Street SW  
Pine City, MN 55063  
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September 10, 2020

Dear Parents,

The 2020/2021 Religious Education Program for 1<sup>st</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup> grade students will be starting on Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to supporting you this year as we help our young people know and love our Lord, His Church, and each other. Please enroll your children and/or teens by **September 23<sup>rd</sup> or sooner.**

This year has many unusual challenges! The pandemic has brought additional safety concerns and protective measures. Our safety protocols are based on guidance from Minnesota DHS and the Diocese of Duluth, as well as the practices at Pine City Public Schools. These measures have required us to modify our schedule. Here is the new weekly schedule as we currently have planned.

### Elementary Sessions Wednesdays 3:00—4:00

- Start at 3:00 with safety protocols in place:
  - Masks on teachers and students,
  - Appropriate distancing will be practiced at all times,
  - No snacks will be eaten or served,
  - Students report to their classrooms,
  - No large group free-play outside, and
  - Catechists may take their own classes outside for breaks independently, social distancing must be maintained.
- We are forming a plan for remote Religious Education (on-line or packet driven) in case school goes to all remote learning.

### Jr. & Sr. High School Sessions Wednesdays 6:30—8:00

- Start at 6:30 with safety protocols in place:
  - Start in the Church for prayer and announcements,
  - Masks on teachers and Small Group Leaders,
  - Appropriate distancing will be practiced at all times,
  - No snack or social time before classes,
  - Move to large group sessions,
  - Move to small group sessions, and
  - Released from Religious Ed from small groups.
- We are planning a contingency for remote Religious Education (on-line or packet driven) in case school goes to all remote learning.

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So that we can plan and prepare for Religious Education, please enroll your children and teens by **September 23<sup>rd</sup> or sooner**. Enclosed is the registration material for the 2020/2021 Religious Education Program:

- Registration Form (complete front & back)
- Photography Release Statement
- Safe Environment Opt-Out form (no need to return unless you opt-out)
- Schedule of Wednesday sessions (subject to change)

Please complete and return these forms along with payment by **Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**. You can drop them at the church in the box in St Anthony Commons, at the Parish Office or Religious Ed Office, or send them via U.S. Mail to the address above.

The registration fee will be the same, \$30 per child. This covers only a portion of the costs of the program. This year our program will have more expenses than previous years, due to sanitation requirements and planning for on-line contingencies. If you are unable to cover the cost of the fee, please don't let that keep you from enrolling your family. Instead, please give me a call to have it waived.

All 12<sup>th</sup> grade students are welcome to join us on Wednesday evenings, free of charge. Please include them on a registration form if they plan to attend.

We are always looking for additional help at the elementary and high school levels. You may be able to help as a: catechist (elementary grades), small group leader (Jr. & Sr. High School), substitute catechist or small group leader, one time guest speaker, or behind the scenes helper. Volunteering with young people in these programs is rewarding and fun. Plus, it is a great way for you to learn more about our faith, spend extra time with your child, and meet other members of our parish. Please prayerfully consider joining us. If you can serve in any of these ways or have questions about how you might be able to help, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Thank you in advance for registering your family by **Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions or concerns about these programs, I can be reached by phone, 320-629-3911, or email at [lynette.forbes.cardey@duluthcatholic.org](mailto:lynette.forbes.cardey@duluthcatholic.org).

Peace to your home,



D. Lynette Forbes-Cardey  
Religious Education/Youth Ministry  
Immaculate Conception Church, Pine City

# 2020/2021 Immaculate Conception Religious Education

## Registration Form

**Family Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to child/ren: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Contact's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternative Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternative Contact's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternative Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Are the parents/guardians both Catholic? Yes No Explain \_\_\_\_\_

Additional adult in the child/children's life we should know about:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

### Child 1:

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: F M  
Last Name (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_  
Birth Date (mm/dd/yy): \_\_\_\_\_ Baptized: Yes No  
1<sup>st</sup> Communion: Yes No

**MEDICAL ALERTS:** *Please list any chronic diseases (diabetes, asthma, allergies, etc.) or necessary medical information (daily medications, behaviors, physical limitations, etc.) we may need to know.*

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### Child 2:

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: F M  
Last Name (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_  
Birth Date (mm/dd/yy): \_\_\_\_\_ Baptized: Yes No  
1<sup>st</sup> Communion: Yes No

**MEDICAL ALERTS:** *Please list any chronic diseases (diabetes, asthma, allergies, etc.) or necessary medical information (daily medications, behaviors, physical limitations, etc.) we may need to know.*

\_\_\_\_\_

*Please use 'EXTRA FORM 2020/2021 for any additional children*

A fee of \$30/child is asked to cover some of the cost of materials and resources. Please enclose payment along with your registration form. Checks may be made payable to: **Immaculate Conception Church**. Thank you!

Registration Fee: \_\_\_\_ # of children x \$30/Child = \_\_\_\_\_

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**Return to:** Attn: Lynette, **Immaculate Conception Church**, 555 8<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Pine City, MN 55063

# 2020/2021 Immaculate Conception Religious Education

## PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN PERMISSION FORM AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

My CHILD/REN, (full names) \_\_\_\_\_  
are eligible to participate in programs with the Immaculate Conception Church that require permission.  
*NOTE: These activities will take place under the guidance and supervision of staff and volunteers from Immaculate Conception Church.*

### *All Faith Formation Programs during the 2020/2021 school year at Immaculate Conception Church.*

I consent to the participation of my child/ward in the **Religious Education Program**. In consideration for my child/ward's participation, I agree to reimburse and indemnify Immaculate Conception Parish for all reasonable legal and court fees incurred by Immaculate Conception Church which relates to the above named activity if Immaculate Conception Church is found not legally liable by the courts and prevails in the lawsuit. If Immaculate Conception Church is found liable for injuries sustained by my child/ward, this paragraph will not apply.

I certify that I have an understanding of this agreement and the risks and hazards associated with the activity described above that my child/ward will be participating in. I further understand that I had the opportunity to fully discuss this agreement with a representative of Immaculate Conception Church to clarify any concerns or questions about the activity or this agreement that I may have had. I also remain legally responsible for any personal actions taken by my child/ward and will be liable for any damage caused by them.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Primary Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Alternative Phone

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT:** In the event of an emergency, I give permission to transport my child/ward to a hospital for emergency medical or surgical treatment. I wish to be advised prior to any further treatment by the hospital or doctor.

\_\_\_\_\_  
MEDICAL INSURANCE COMPANY

\_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE NUMBER

In the event of any emergency, if ICC is **unable to reach either guardian** at the numbers listed on the front, please contact:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

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## **Photography Release Statement**

\_\_\_\_\_ I hereby grant permission for my child to be photographed and/or videotaped during Immaculate Conception Church functions, including Religious Education. I understand that my child may decline to be photographed and/or videotaped at any time. I understand that the resulting photographs and/or videotaped footage may be edited if necessary, and then published, including to the Immaculate Conception website, and/or broadcast for the purpose of promoting Immaculate Conception Church, which may include advertising materials, articles in the local newspaper or any other items that the priest may deem appropriate.

\_\_\_\_\_ I hereby decline to grant permission for my child to be photographed and/or videotaped during Immaculate Conception Church functions. I have instructed my child to decline to be photographed and/or videotaped at all times. I have further instructed my child to notify Immaculate Conception Coordinators that he/she may not be photographed and/or videotaped under any circumstances.

Name of Child: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Think First & Stay Safe!



Date: September 11, 2020

To: Religious Education Program Parents

Fr: Lynette Forbes-Cardey, Director. of Religious Education

RE: Circle of Grace Safe Environment Program

As part of our on-going commitment to ensure the safety of your child/ren, safe environment programming is a part of our Religious Education Program. Students are not required to attend, but students and parents should understand the importance of this program. These lessons are part of the students' education about personal boundaries, appropriate interactions between adults and minors, and between minors themselves, and related personal safety issues. The presumption is that every child will participate in the lessons. Parents may choose to complete a waiver to excuse their child from the program. This can be found at the bottom of this letter or obtained from Lynette Forbes-Cardey at Immaculate Conception Church.

We will present lessons from the "Circle of Grace" Safe Environment Program. This program was selected by the Diocese of Duluth and developed by the Archdiocese of Omaha. Lessons will be presented during regularly scheduled Wednesday Religious Education classes and will be presented by Immaculate Conception staff and catechists. If you would like to preview the lessons or have questions about these presentations, please contact me at 320-629-3911 or [lynette.forbes.cardey@duluthcatholic.org](mailto:lynette.forbes.cardey@duluthcatholic.org)

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## **Safe Environment Opt-Out 2020/2021**

- \_\_\_\_\_ My child(ren) will **not** be attending Safe Environment Training provided by Immaculate Conception Church during the Religious Education Sessions.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Please send me a copy of the *Parent Information Sheet* for the Circle of Grace program to assist me/us in providing the training at home.

Child(ren) Full Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date