

## Registration and Tuition

Registration weekend takes place in August. If you have registered before you will get registration and medical forms in the mail. Please fill these out and bring them with you on that weekend or return to the Formation Office along with your check before that. You will also find the forms on line that you can download, fill in, and return. You may drop these in the collection basket too, clearly marked "Elementary Faith Formation".

Rates are as follows:

One student	\$75
Two students	\$135
Three or more	\$165

We have never turned anyone away from Faith Formation who has had a desire to learn about and grow in our Catholic faith. If you need assistance in paying for faith formation for your children, please call or email the Faith Formation Director.



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## *Sts. James, Cornelius & Cyprian Faith Formation*



*\*Grades K-5 Classes*

*\*Children's Liturgy  
of the Word*

*\*Sacramental Prep*

## Grades K-5

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We offer classes on Sundays for grades K- 5 from 9:00 AM to 10:15 AM in the classrooms downstairs.

**Calendar:** Our formation programs begin in mid-late September and conclude the last Sunday in April. Programs for children run concurrent with the Mason school calendar and the liturgical calendar.

We use a program called *Gospel Weeklies*. It is a faith formation program that comes in a bulletin format that is colorful, user friendly and always up to date as new lessons are created every year. Since this program comes in a bulletin format we are able to send them home should the child be absent , thereby allowing parents to cover material that was taught in the classroom. This comprehensive program provides sound doctrine, scripture, tradition, and prayer that make these essential lessons part of a lifelong practice of faith. The formation experience for our Elementary children is enriched by occasional large group gatherings that help them step away from a classroom setting. Some events planned are an All Saints Parade, an Epiphany Party and a Resurrection Easter eggs celebration.

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## Sacramental Preparation

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**Sacrament Preparation:** We prepare our students wishing to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist in the 2nd and 3rd Grade. Preparation is done in the classroom and at home with a parent packet. A Sacramental Retreat is offered for each Sacramental year and is an important part of the student's preparation. Second graders will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the following year when they are in Third grade they will receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

### Rite of Christian Initiation Adapted for Children:

The RCIA for Children program is designed for families with older children (over 7) who have never been baptized and/or had any formal religious education formation. Please contact the Faith Formation Director for more information.

If your child has **special needs**, contact the Faith Formation Director to work with you individually to design a program to fit your child's needs and abilities.

**Your child's safety** is very important to us. All of our staff and regular volunteers have attended a ***Virtus: Protecting God's Children*** presentation. A criminal background check has been performed. Another safety procedure we practice is that we require a parent/guardian to sign their child out upon pick up. We want to ensure that your child is always secure and out of harm's way when they are here at our Parish.

## Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLW)

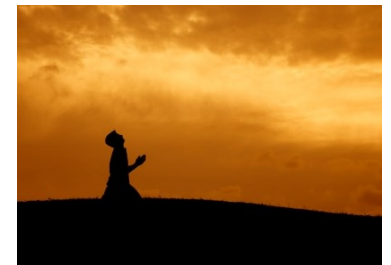
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Children's Liturgy of the Word is held during the Sunday 10:30 AM Mass for children 4 years old to 1st Grade.

It is designed to help the younger child understand the Gospel Scripture of the day. This is done by presenting the Scripture through stories and activities that the child can relate to.

The Celebrant invites the children forward after the opening prayer for a special blessing. The children are then lead out by a CLW Catechist to Keating Hall. The children will then return to their family pew after the Homily.

The CLW calendar follows the Faith Formation calendar, so if classes do not meet, neither does CLW.



**A.S.A.P.**  
***Always Say A Prayer***