

REGISTRATION 2021-2022

*“Teaching the faith aims at putting “people . . . in communion . . . with Jesus Christ: only he can lead us to the love of the Father in the Spirit and make us share in the life of the Holy Trinity.”*

*Catechism of the Catholic Church 426*

Dear GREP families,

Our goal at Saint Benedict has been and will continue to be to ensure that our children have a sound basis for understanding their faith. This goal extends to families so that as a community we learn together to live and actively participate in the faith life of the Church while building a personal relationship with God.

The year 2020-2021 presented us with some new and unique obstacles in meeting our goals but I believe that as a community we worked together to do the best we could under extreme circumstances. Now as we head into the year 2021-2022, I am filled with the hope that we can return to a more consistent program and to meet the needs of our children and families in a more comprehensive way.

Registration forms are available for the coming year. At this time, I would ask that you please register as always, pick your first choice day and time and a second choice day and time.

I will be watching CDC and Diocesan guidelines. We will either return to a weekly program or biweekly program with online modules available for the off weeks. This will depend on numbers and guidelines. The Catechism will also become part of our class work and there will be some homework involved for families to work on together.

This year has seen a decline in Mass attendance and since the Mass is the source and summit of our faith, part of the Faith Formation experience will be attendance at Mass, especially for those children who are preparing for the sacraments. Participation in Mass is an extraordinary way to pray together as a family and as a faith community. It unites us directly with the heavenly hosts and brings us into the full presence of God, Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. It is an awesome gift and one that we should all be running to receive and participate in.

We look forward to a new year of gathering together in prayer and worship as we continue on our journey of faith together.

God bless you all.

Yours in Christ,

Louise