



Children's Faith Formation Grades Kindergarten – 6

(Regular sessions are held in the parish school Sundays, 9 – 10:15 a.m.)

Dear Parents,

I am so happy your family decided to begin or continue Faith Formation at St Paul. I am here to help you in any way I can. Attached, you will find the registration form and a attendance/activity release form. Please fill out the registration and activity release forms, and submit *together* with your payment as soon as possible, but no later than August 3, 2020. **** Registration forms and payments, for returning families, turned in after August 3rd, will incur a \$25 late fee.** All new families must submit a copy of a baptism certificate for each child at registration.

We are keeping registration fees the same. Even though there is a chance we may start classes online, I'm hoping eventually we will make it back in the classroom. If it looks like classes will not start in person, I will give everyone the opportunity to stop by the church and pick up their textbooks for class. That is why it is important to get your registration fees in on time, so I can get text books ordered. **If you are unable to pay the registration fee, please do not hesitate to let me know! We do have scholarships available.**

As parents, we are our children's primary faith formation teachers. A structured Children's Faith Formation Program should not be the only avenue for a child to learn about their faith. A child's formation should be a partnership between parents and the Church. In this partnership, the Church helps guide the parents to teach and strengthening their families faith. Catholic parents should attempt to form their family as a domestic church; a church in the home, where God is honored, His law is respected, prayer is a normal event, virtue is transmitted by word and example, and everyone shares the hopes, the problems and sufferings of everyone else. In order support this vision, Catholic Education needs to be a lifelong process. Therefore, in addition to children's formation we offer parent faith formation and Parish/family formation.

First Reconciliation and First Communion preparation takes place in Grade 2. For children in this grade, you will also need to supply a copy of your child's baptism certificate at registration. **It is diocesan policy that a student must be baptized before beginning sacramental preparation and have attended faith formation for at least one year prior to beginning sacramental preparation.** For students in Gr. 3 – 6 that *have not* received First Reconciliation or First Communion, additional instruction will be needed. Contact me about details.

There are volunteer opportunities in the Children's Faith Formation program. Let me know if there is interest. **All regular adult volunteers *must* be screened *before* assisting in the classroom. Minors will need a consent form from a parent or guardian to participate.**

Please contact me with any questions or concerns. God bless you and your family on this year's spiritual journey. I am looking forward to another great year!

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CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION 2020-21

St. Paul Catholic Church ** Grades K – 6
(includes 1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion Registration)

Registration Fee: \$75.00 per student, with a family maximum of \$150 (does not include students in Confirmation Preparation and Youth Ministry, Grades 7 – 12). Catechist's children are free. Financial Scholarships are available.

Fee is due at time of registration. Please make checks payable to: St. Paul Church.

Please submit Registration Form, Activity Release Form and registration fee together as soon as possible & no later than August 3, 2020. ** \$25 late fee will be assessed to all returning students not registered by Aug 3rd. (New students, Grade 2 students and those in Grades 3-6 preparing for 1st Reconciliation & Communion must also submit a Baptism Certificate.)

Family Name: _____
Last Father Mother

Address: _____
Street City Zip

Home Phone #: _____ Father's Cell #: _____ Mother's Cell # _____

Family Email: _____

Second Email, if both parents want to receive correspondence: _____

My form of payment will be (please check one): _____ online _____ check/cash (mailed or dropped off to Parish Office)

Most correspondence will be emailed – please ensure that these addresses are checked regularly.

Formal Student's Name (& Nick Name)	Last Name (if different from above)	School Grade* K - 6	DOB (date of birth)	Sacraments Received to Date (List Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation, if received)
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Please read the following:

- ***School Grade** - The student *normally should attend the same CFF (K-6) grade* that they attend in school.
- **Allergies:** Periodically snacks are served; please list any allergies that your child has and their name (if you have enrolled more than one child) _____.
- A parishioner's financial inability to pay will always be considered; please see Evelyn Cedrun

Safe Environment Training: There will be a *Keeping Kid's Safe* presentation in class twice a year. Please be sure your student is present on those days. See *Children's Faith Formation Schedule Grades K-6*.

Media Release: During the course of church-sponsored events, like **CFF (K-6)**, photographs may be taken by St. Paul teachers and/or staff to be used in written church promotions, posted on the church's website, or in audio-visual presentations. Student names will **not** be used. By signing below, you give permission for your child's photograph to be used for the reasons stated. **IF YOU DO NOT WANT YOUR CHILD TO PARTICIPATE, INITIAL HERE:** { }

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Printed Name

Date

OFFICE USE ONLY: REGISTRATION FORM _____ ACTIVITY RELEASE FORM _____

CHECK # _____ AMOUNT _____ DATE RECEIVED _____ (New/2nd Gr.) BAPTISM CERTIFICATE _____

Attendance Policy for 1st and 2nd Grade CFF

(only for parents and guardians with children in 1st or 2nd grade formation on Sunday mornings)

First and Second grade are important years in faith formation. First Grade prepares students to begin sacramental preparation and 2nd grade is preparation for First Reconciliation and First Communion. For that reason, unless there are extenuating circumstances (not sports or skiing), 1st graders will not be able to miss more than 6 classes for the year and 2nd grade students will not be able to miss more than 4 classes for the year. This requirement ensures they are properly prepared to receive the sacraments. I understand and acknowledge these requirements.

Parent or Guardian Signature

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ACTIVITY RELEASE

For those 18 years of age or older, all parents, and all guardians:

I consent for any of my children listed below to participate in any activity or trip sponsored by the Diocese of Colorado Springs or its affiliates* (collectively, "the Diocese"). In case of medical need, I authorize the Diocese to arrange for medical or dental services for me and any of my children listed below. I agree that any such expense will be my obligation.

I, individually, and in my capacities as parent, guardian, or next friend of my children:

_____ (list names of children)

waive, release, and indemnify the Diocese and its agents, directors, officers, employees, and volunteers (collectively, the "Released Parties") from all claims or liability which have arisen or may arise from any Diocesan activity or trip and which involves any damage, loss, or injury to me, my spouse, any of my children, my property, or the property of any of my children. In the same capacities, I promise not to sue any of the Released Parties for any such claims or liability. This waiver, release, indemnification, and promise not to sue does not apply to claims of criminal conduct or gross negligence.

This Activity Release is revocable prospectively only by a writing signed by me which bears the date that the revocation is delivered to the Diocese.

Date Signature

Date Signature

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____ Mobile phone: _____

Medical Insurance Company and Policy Number: _____

Authorized Medications: _____

Family Physician/Emergency Contact and Phone: _____

Special considerations or needs (allergies, asthma, etc.) _____

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