*The Church of St. Mary*

***FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM***

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Dear Families,

What a crazy year we’ve had! I hope that this letter finds you all well and that you’re enjoying your summer break.

It’s hard to believe before you know it we’ll be starting our 2021-2022Faith Formation and Confirmation (1st year of 2 year program) classes. As always, the catechists and I look forward to a spiritually rewarding year with the youth of this parish.

Enclosed with this letter is the material for this upcoming Faith Formation and Confirmation year. Please take the time to look over everything. Forms should be returned to either the Parish Office via email **or** you may place them in the collection basket at Church with my name on the envelope by August 31, 2021.

If you choose to email, please send to the following; tmiller@stmarymchenryil.org

**\*Please note that the enclosed calendar is tentative and is subject to change as new scheduling becomes available to me.**

Classes will be held every other Wednesday evenings from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in the Parish Center.

**September 8, 2021** will be our opening celebration Mass beginning at 6:00 p.m. for **all Faith Formation and Confirmation students and Parents.** After our opening celebration there will be an ice-cream social in Mary Hall. (This is subject to change pending any changes that may occur with guide lines)

**Faith Formation classes** will begin meeting at St. Mary’s Parish Center on Wednesday, September 22, 2021 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**Confirmation classes** will begin meeting at St. Mary’s Parish Center on October 13, 2021 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. \*Note; if your student is in 7th or 8th grade they will be attending **both** Faith Formation and Confirmation classes they are two different programs. **Confirmation is a 2yr program.**

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Drop off and pick up for students will remain the same. Drop off will be at North facing door of the Parish Center and pick up will be on the West side of parking lot.

**\*\***Again this year we ask that you supply your student(s) with their needed materials. I have included as list of what your student(s) should bring with them to **every class** or if you would like you can place their materials in a container with their name on it and we will keep it in the classroom for them. (**Students will not be able to share any materials**). This is to help ensure the well-being of both the students & their catechists. If you find that this will not be possible financially, please reach out to me and I will make arrangements to ensure that your student(s) have the necessary materials provided for them.

**The following is a list of needed supplies;**

* Face Mask (At this time I am including this in the supply list but as we get closer to our start date we will follow the guidelines that are in place at that time). **Must be worn at all time**; should be both age **and** program appropriate
* One (1) Notebook
* One (1) Folder
* Pencils or Pens (pencils are preferred for younger students)
* Colored Markers (washable) and or Crayons
* Something for them to store their items in; as they will be bringing them back and forth to class

I will be checking my mail, email and phone messages throughout the rest of the summer so please feel free to contact me with any needs or concerns you may have. I will get back with you as soon as possible.

May the remainder of you summer break continue to be filled with blessings,

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