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Faith Formation

## Materials, Prayer and Parent Involvement...

### Student Materials

Be sure to keep your student's Bible, textbook, folder and whatever else they are bringing to class in a tote or backpack. This helps us not to lose anything and be prepared for class. Hopefully, it will help you, too!

### Parent Involvement

- Pray with your children each day. What prayers should they know?
- Check your child's folder each week for messages or information
- Review and complete your child's lesson each week (read the Family & Faith page)
- Complete the monthly family project
- Help your children with special projects
- Students in Grades 4-7 should complete the E-assessments online at the Alive in Christ website.
- Look at the 'Checklist' in their folder on the left side. These are the important concepts that we will review and talk about this year. On the other side, there is a list of Storytelling scriptures for each grade. Help your child learn the Nativity story in a way that is appropriate for their age. They should be able to tell the story beginning in Kindergarten! As they get older, they should add more color and details to the story.

### Just 4 things each month? Will you accept the challenge?

#### 1. Prayer - Rosary

Rosary for Peace and Wisdom in the World

Tuesdays from 6:30-7:00pm

Experience this devotion! You can also pray a decade of the rosary at home. Be sure to shorten it for little ones if you need to!

## **2. Eucharistic Adoration**

Thursdays from 2-7pm

Stop in for a little peace as you visit Jesus in the monstrance! As little as 15 minutes of quiet prayer and reflection can make a difference!

## **3. Attend Weekly Masses**

Our focus for this catechetical formation year is "Say the word and my soul shall be healed." This part of the Mass is highlighted by Pope Francis. He feels that we all need some healing. Watch for more short videos about this subject from Fr. Max and Donna Doherty in the coming months. The bulletin has a reflection that began in the beginning of September. Have you read the bulletin? It's online, too. Be sure to go to Mass each weekend!

## **4. Reconciliation (Confession)**

Try to go once a month or every other month with your family. Most students will have the opportunity to participate in this Sacrament during class in Advent and Lent. Frequent repetition makes it easier to remember the steps. You will find the Reconciliation aides for all ages in our racks in the Parish Library. What a relief it is! To have your soul/heart healed of sins, to receive grace to strengthen you going forward and to walk out of Church feeling a little lighter!

### **Liturgy of the Word for Children is back!**

#### **Sundays 10:30am Mass**

Children in Preschool to 1st Grade are invited to go to our Preschool room for prayer, lessons and activities to help them better understand our Readings/Gospel for that weekend. Parents are invited to attend with their child to see what it's like or if that will help! Usually after a few times, they are comfortable joining the other children as they process out of Mass to the classroom. Give it a try!

### **Empowering God's Children Safety Program**

In the video below, I talk about the special lessons that students will receive in classes this year. An important one is the Empowering God's Children (EGC) safety program. I will send you a link to the YouTube videos, other information and the 'Opt Out' form. Look at your child's syllabus for the date it will be taught. Students need to turn in the 'Opt Out' form at the beginning of class. They will go to another room to complete Children's Bulletins for our contest during the EGC lesson (about 20 minutes) and then return to class when it's over.

### **Say the word and my soul shall be healed (Catechetical Theme)**

#### **Eucharist and the Real Presence of Christ**

Look in the Parish library for the picture and 2 worksheets for parents. They were picked up at the parent meetings. Watch for videos!

## **Youth Forms**

Follow the hallway and turn left to go toward my Resource Room door. In the file folder rack, you will find a blue folder for communication or paperwork for me and the folders for

the other documents we need: Medical/Liability forms, Photo Permission forms and the EGC 'Opt Out' forms (if needed).

### **Masks**

If your child can wear a mask to class, please be sure to give them a new one. Some of the cloth ones are getting wet and we don't want them to be irritating. We have some child-size paper ones available just in case!

### **Remind.com...**

Sign up for important text messages that are short and necessary! Text 81010 to @37b6df. It's easy!

### **Absences**

Send me an email! Then the absence is designated "Excused." Too many absences can result in completing that year over the summer.

### **Video**

Here is the 15 minute video with some more details: [youtu.be/FY8OQyOQKWk...](https://youtu.be/FY8OQyOQKWk...)

### **Faith Formation Parish Page**

Link: [stgall.com/faith-forma...](https://stgall.com/faith-forma...)

As usual, contact me if you have questions! And, thank you for bringing your children to St. Gall for their formation!

Peace and all good, Donna

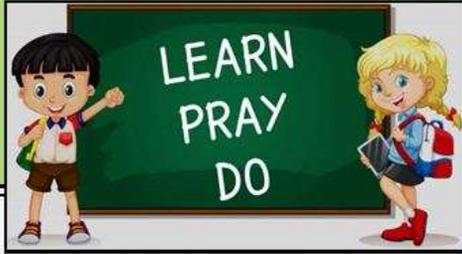
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# FAITH FORMATION CLASSES OCTOBER



St. Gall Church  
Elburn

- October 5—Grade 1
- October 6—Grades 2-4 & 5-6
- October 7—Little Lambs PK-5
- October 10—Grade 7 Confirmation

**It's not too  
LATE to  
Register!**

**Liturgy of the Word for Children at 10:30am Mass  
October 3, 17, 24 & 31**



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