St. Mary's Religious Education 2022-2023

Welcome back to the returning students. We're glad to have you back for another year of Religious Education. If this is your first year we welcome you and hope you find it to be a faith filled experience.

St. Mary's is blessed with wonderful volunteer teachers; they are some very special individuals that have dedicated themselves to the ministry of Catechesis. This is a special calling in which they have answered. Please take the time before or after class to speak with the teachers. They like to meet the parents. Please feel free to come to your child's classroom. You are always welcome.

Religious Education Office Information

Direct line to the Religious Education Office 864.679.4110 E-mail <u>linda.jackon@stmarysgvl.org</u>

<u>Correspondence</u>

All memos, announcements, etc. regarding the Religious Education Program will be sent home, via e-mail, or in the church bulletin (please read the E Bulletin weekly). Please be on the look out for information.

Protecting God's Children Touching Safety Program

Wednesday 12 October 2022 6:00 pm followed by class. Wednesday 26 October 2022 6:00 pm (make-up class)

DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP AREA (along side of Gallivan Hall)

If you are picking up and are not in a car waiting for your child **<u>PLEASE DO NOT STAND</u>** in the drop-off or pick-up area so we can move the carpool line through quickly.

Sorry, No Pets on Campus :(

List of Our Catechists and Helpers

<u>Grade 1</u> Emily Krauter Moseley Palms *Hannah Adams*

<u>Grade 2</u> Amy David Theresa Jeffeaux

<u>Grade 3</u> Annie Yukish Katherine Bendickson <u>Grade 5</u> Brandy Bishop Rex O'Steen

<u>Grade 6</u> Tom McAfee Julia Urban

<u>Grade 7</u> Chiara Braud Mike Munafo

<u>Grade 4</u> Marilyn Serpa Becky Leonard *Madeline Martinez* <u>Grade 8</u> Ted Stewart Jim Messner *Evelyn Messner*

Basic Rules

The first week of class all students (1st thru 8th grade) will line up for class in Gallivan Hall. After that all students will report directly to their classrooms each week. Please make every effort to be on time so the teachers can begin promptly at 6:30 pm. There will be helpers to get the children to the right classroom. Please make sure that your child uses the restroom and gets a drink of water if needed before coming to class. Leaving class for these reasons needs to be limited to emergencies only.

All cars should enter from Washington Street for drop off and pick up. No parking in this area, reserved for drop-off and pick-up only the weeks it's students only.

Middle School Students and Parents for your safety please drive through the pick-up line after class on the weeks it's students only. Students **should not** walk behind the Middle School Building (in Church main parking lot)for pick-up.

After class, all students will be brought outside Gallivan Hall for pick-up. <u>No exceptions! Students must remain in this area until parents pick</u> <u>them up. Older Siblings can come get their younger siblings and wait in</u> <u>line together.</u>

Please remember to use sidewalks and cross walks for safety. The Knights of Columbus will provide safety patrol for the students.

Please remind your child to watch for your car or carpool at pick-up time.

Religious Education Reminders and About Inclement Weather

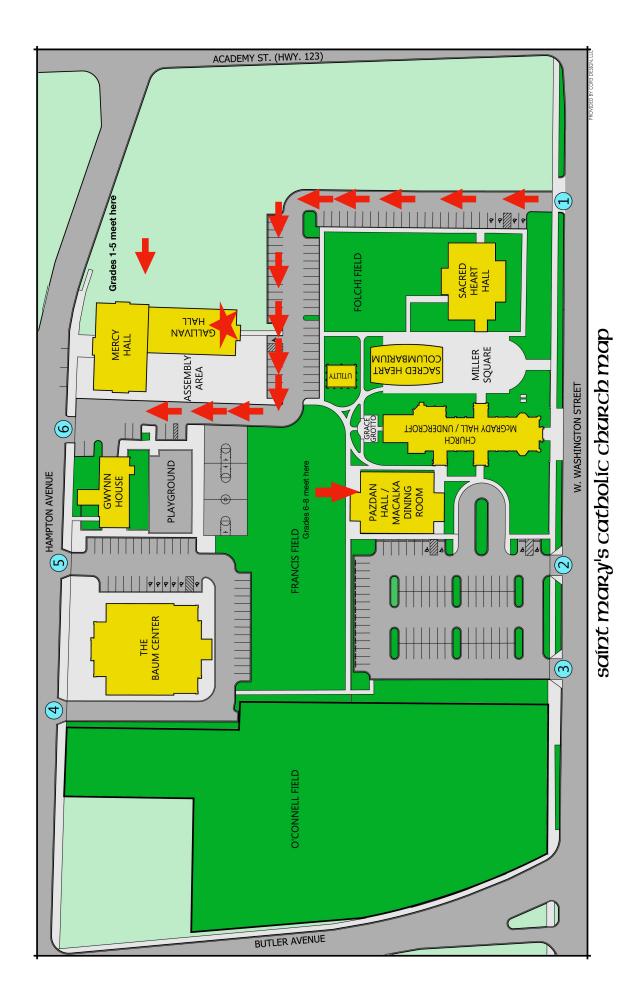
All notifications for inclement weather will come via text or email via Flocknote. If you are not receiving our messages please call the RE office.

<u>Please use your best judgment during</u> <u>inclement weather for your family.</u> All returning students received a blue St. Mary's tote bag to carry their books, Bibles, and folders to and from class each week. New students will receive theirs the first night of class. Please use these; they are being provided from a generous donation made to our program. If a returning student needs a new tote bag please let me know and I will get a replacement. All returning students should also bring their Catholic Youth Bible each week to class; new students will receive one of these as well. They have been provided by a generous donor to the program.

Each week be sure to check your Child's folder for information being sent home. Please keep it cleaned out. The teachers are instructed that they can send homework home with the students. Catechesis is an ongoing process and we expect that parents are instructing their children at home as well. Homework usually will be something that can you can use with your students at home; the primary place for Catechesis.

Usage of cell phones, iPods, iPads, iPhones, smartphones or any electronic devices are **not permitted during class time.** The devices **need to be secured and out of sight during the whole class time.** If the use of electronic devices becomes a problem the teachers have my permission to take possession of the device and hold onto it until the end of class.

Students will not be permitted on the playground or basketball courts before or after classes, without a parent. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



St Mary's Gallivan Hall