

## Faith Formation Program

Welcome back parents!

Our first in person class is this Sunday, September 19th at 8:45am at Holy Angels. (Grades k-8, Confirmation students that are finishing up their last few lessons. Newly registered Confirmation students will start in October (please look at our calendar)).

Here are a few important items for our first day. Please arrive 5-10 minutes early. Masks are required for all persons entering the building and the church.

- Welcome to our program. Together as the people of God we journey through the sacraments, faith, and life with Jesus, God the Father, and the Holy Spirit. We will call on the intercession of Mary the mother of God, to help and inspire us. We pray that the Church that Jesus established with the apostles will strengthen us, nourish us, heal us, and sustain us on our faith journey in this life to eternal life.
- Students in Jeremiah's room will be meeting on Tuesdays 3:45-4:45 Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Parents are requested to stay.
- **Drop OFF:** Classes will meet Sunday Morning 8:45-9:45 with mass following. Students are to wear masks to class and keep them on. Children can bring a water bottle if necessary. Water only, no food. Come in the front door of the Holy Angels Center (k-Confirmation), check in, and proceed to the gym. In the gym, the grades will be marked. Facilitators will meet students in the gym, then proceed to the class. Confirmation classes will be conducted in the gym.
- Mass will follow class. Students will walk over at 9:45 for a 10:00 AM mass. Students will sit with their class. If for some reason you need to pick up your child, you must let the front desk know and pick your child up at the front desk by 9:45.
- **Pick UP:** Students will remain in the pews in church until parents pick up their child. You will need a form of ID to show the facilitator to release your child. If someone else will be picking up your child, provide a note at drop off that includes the date and full name of the person picking up.
- Emergency Phone (during program) (203) 887-6689, WE DO NOT HAVE ANY MEDICAL STAFF ON SITE DURING CLASS.
- Holy Angels Church will be open at 9:30 if you want to go in ahead of time.
- 'At Home' Office Hours (8AM-1PM) M, W, F Email: FaithFormationDirector@OurLadyQueenOfAngels.net
- **Weekly Assessments:** Families are responsible for completing each lesson assessment (*when not in class*). There is an assessment with each lesson. When they are in class the facilitators will help them with their lesson and assessment. The gospel weeklies will be coming home with each child for the dates we are not in person and absent. **NOTE: Confirmation students AND First Communion/ Reconciliation students MUST complete all assessments when at home.**
- **First Communion/ Confirmation:** 3rd grade is for First Reconciliation and First Communion (all students must have completed 1 full year of faith formation, know their prayers and actively attend mass.) Confirmation is for High School students. There will be 12 classes and assessments, retreat, reconciliation, service, and letter(s) that will be required. Students must have been active in a Faith Formation program before registering. *Call if you have questions.*
- This year we will be consecrating our program to the Sacred hearts of Jesus and Mary.
- Reconciliation is ongoing, all students 4- Confirmation must go every year.
- **Website:** Please note on our website [OLQOA.ORG](http://OLQOA.ORG) - all information is there

- The Calendar
- Links to the Gospel Weekly materials
  - Extra videos to watch with your kids
  - Parent help pages for the Gospel Weeklies
  - Assessments (a completed assessment is due each week) - Use the correct email!
  - Prayers... and much more.
- We have several events scheduled.... More to come.
  - Rosary Walk, Trunk-or-Treat, Live nativity, Clay project, Palm Burning, Stations of the Cross, Last day, Cookies and Conversation (new, for Adults)

We are all looking forward to a fabulous faith filled year! Thank you for sharing your students with us.

The Facilitators, the parish office and Mrs. Deborah Haggett - DRE