

Our Lady of the Snows Church
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Dear Parents,

Welcome to our 2018-2019 Religious Education program. I hope everyone had a lovely and relaxing summer. I am looking forward to working with you and your children this year and I hope it will be an inspirational educational year that families will enjoy. We will be using the Family of Faith program again this year. *This program was created to help develop strong Catholic families in which children learn the joys of following Jesus Christ and the truths of our Faith through the witness of Christian life given by their parents (Family of Faith).* Our first session will be a Family Meeting on September 9, 2018, from 9:00am to 10:15 am.

This year, our program will be formatted differently We will be using a combination homeschool/parish class format. Family Meetings will be scheduled during the year. Parents and students will attend Family Meetings where they will learn about the theme for the month. Students will also attend scheduled monthly classes on designated Sundays. Additionally, families will work on assigned lessons at home, during weeks that meetings and classes are not scheduled in the church. Classes and Family Meetings are scheduled for specific Sundays from 9:00-10:15. Families will receive a copy of our class/Family Meeting schedule at our first Session on September 9th.

This year our focus will be on the Sacraments. Through A Family of Faith program, students will learn that the *Sacraments are important parts of each stage of life, in which we receive God's free gift of grace. Through the grace given to us in the Sacraments, Jesus brings us into communion with Himself, the Father, and the Holy Spirit, and with one another in the Church (A Family of Faith).*

As mentioned earlier, Our first class will be a Family Meeting scheduled for Sunday, September 9, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. All families are asked to attend this meeting, Families will receive their Parent Guide, Activity Books, home assignments and class schedules for the year.

Please complete the attached registration form for each child who will be attending our program this year. Registration fees are listed on the form. Completed forms may be mailed or brought to the parish office.

I am looking forward to working with your family this year as together we form a new generation of Catholics who know, love and serve our Lord Jesus Christ.

Please feel free to contact me at rileyhalnon@gmail.com if you have any questions, comments or would like to volunteer with our Religious Education program.

Sincerely in The Lord,

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Religious Education Coordinator

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