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FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

2026-27

Welcome, everyone. We're so glad you're here. Whether this is your first time joining us or you're just beginning to get to know our parish, please know that you and your children already have a place in our community.

On our parish calendar, you'll notice a few special Masses for different grade levels. These are simple, joyful ways for children to feel comfortable in church. But they're just one small part of our life together. What really helps us grow as a parish family is gathering for Mass each weekend. So we warmly invite your family to join us on Saturday evening or Sunday morning—whenever it works best for you. Your presence truly adds to the warmth and spirit of our parish.

Each Sunday at the 9:30 Family Mass, children ages 3 to 11 are invited to take part in the Liturgy of the Word for Children. They hear the Gospel in words that make sense to them and come back to their families feeling proud and included. And on the third Sunday of each month, instead of going to the chapel, the children are invited to come sit near the altar during the homily. It's a gentle, beautiful way for them to feel close to God's Word.

If your child is preparing for First Holy Communion—especially in Levels 1 and 2—we encourage you to make the 9:30 Mass part of your weekly rhythm. Sharing the Eucharist together each Sunday helps your child grow in love for Jesus and supports the faith you're already nurturing at home.

We're here to walk with you, to support you, and to celebrate your children as they grow. We're grateful you're part of our parish family.

SEPTEMBER

- Sept 6 – Children's Liturgy of the Word (ages 3–11), 9:30 Mass
- Sept 9 – New Catechists' Formation, 7 p.m.
- Sept 13 – Children's Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- Sept 15 – New Catechists' Formation, 7 p.m.
- Sept 16 – Confirmation 2026 Class I, 4:30-6 p.m. *or* 7-8:30 p.m.
- Sept 17 – All Catechists' Formation, 7 p.m.
- Sept 20 – Children invited forward; Catechetical Sunday blessing; Coffee Sunday after 9:30 Mass

- Sept 21 – Classes begin for Levels 2–8
- Sept 23 – Confirmation 2026 Class II, 4:30-6 p.m. *or* 7-8:30 p.m.
- Sept 26 – Youth Mass (Levels 6–9), 4 p.m.
- Sept 27 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- Sept 29 – Level 7 Confirmation Enrollment with parents, 7 p.m.
- Sept 30 – Confirmation 2026 Class III, 4:30-6 p.m. *or* 7-8:30 p.m.

OCTOBER

- Oct 1 – Level 1 Parent–Child Gathering, 6:30 p.m.
- Oct 4
 - Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
 - Confirmation Retreat – 11:15am Mass until 4 p.m.
- Oct 7 – Confirmation 2026 Class IV, 4:30-6 p.m. *or* 7-8:30 p.m.
- Oct 11 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- Oct 12 – **Schools closed; no classes**
- Oct 14 – Confirmation Interviews, 4:30-6 p.m. *or* 7-8:30 p.m. (*per time selected*)
- Oct 15 – Level 8 Parents & Teens, 7 p.m.
- Oct 17
 - Youth Mass (Levels 6–9), 4 p.m.
 - Level 6 Bible distribution
- Oct 18 – Children invited forward; Coffee Sunday after 9:30 Mass (Levels 3–5)
- Oct 21 – Reconciliation Prayer Service (Confirmation 2026), 7 p.m.
- Oct 25 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- Oct 28 – Confirmation Practice, 7 p.m.
- Oct 29
 - **CONFIRMATION** 3 p.m.; **no classes**
 - Confirmandi & sponsors arrive by 2 p.m.

NOVEMBER

- Nov 1 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- Nov 3 – **Schools closed; no classes**
- Nov 4 – Level 2 Reconciliation Parent Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Nov 8 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- Nov 11 – **Schools closed; no classes**
- Nov 12 – Level 1 Parent–Child Gathering, 6:30 p.m.
- Nov 15
 - Children invited forward
 - Coffee Sunday after 9:30 Mass (Levels 3–5)
- Nov 18 – Levels 3–6 Parent Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Nov 19 – Catechists Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Nov 21 – Youth Mass (Levels 6–8), 4 p.m.
- Nov 22 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- Nov 25–27 Thanksgiving Recess; **no classes**
- Nov 29 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass

DECEMBER

- Dec 6 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- Dec 9 – Advent Family Night & Level 1 Gathering
- Dec 13 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- Dec 19 – Youth Mass (Levels 6–8), 4 p.m.
- Dec 20
 - Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass (Levels 3–5)
 - Coffee Sunday after 9:30 Mass
- Dec 24–Jan 1 – Christmas Break; **no classes**
- Dec 27 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass

JANUARY

- Jan 3 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- Jan 4 – **Classes resume**
- Jan 10 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- Jan 13 – Level 1 Parent–Child Gathering, 6:30 p.m.
- Jan 16 – Youth Mass (Levels 6–8), 4 p.m.
- Jan 17
 - 9:30 Mass Children invited forward (Levels 3–5)
 - Coffee Sunday after 9:30 Mass
- Jan 18 – **Schools closed; no classes**
- Jan 20 – Catechists’ Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Jan 23 – First Reconciliation, 1 p.m.
- Jan 24 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- Jan 31
 - Snow date for First Reconciliation 1pm
 - Children’s Liturgy of the Word 9:30 Mass

FEBRUARY

- Feb 7 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- Feb 10 – Ash Wednesday (families encouraged to attend)
- Feb 14 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass (Levels 3–5)
- Feb 15–19 – **Winter Recess; no classes**
- Feb 21
 - Children invited forward 9:30 am Mass (Levels 3–5)
 - Coffee Sunday after 9:30 Mass
- Feb 24 – Level 1 Parent–Child Gathering, 6:30 p.m.
- Feb 27 – Youth Mass (Levels 6–8), 4 p.m.
- Feb 28 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass (Levels 3–5)

MARCH

- Mar 3 – Lenten Family Gathering & Level 1 Gathering
- Mar 7 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- Mar 10 – Level 2 Eucharist Parent Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Mar 14 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass (Levels 3–5)
- Mar 16 – Catechists’ Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Mar 18 – Level 8 Confirmation Teens & Sponsors
- Mar 20 – Youth Mass (Levels 6–8), 4 p.m.
- Mar 21 – Palm Sunday
 - 9:30 Mass (Levels 3–5)
 - Coffee Sunday after 9:30 Mass
- Mar 25 – Holy Thursday; **no classes**
- Mar 26 – Good Friday Service, 3 p.m.
- Mar 27 – Easter Vigil, 8 p.m.
- Mar 28 – Easter Sunday: 9:30 Mass with Children’s Liturgy & 11:15 Mass
- Mar 29 – Easter Monday; **no classes**
- Mar 30 – **Classes resume**

APRIL

- Apr 4 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass (Levels 3–5)
- Apr 7 – Level 1 Parent–Child Gathering, 6:30 p.m.
- Apr 11
 - Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
 - First Communion retreat beginning with the 11:15 Mass to 3:30 p.m.
- Apr 17 – Youth Mass (Levels 6–8), 4 p.m.
- Apr 18
 - Children invited forward 9:30 Mass (Levels 3–5)

- Coffee Sunday after 9:30 Mass
- Apr 19–23 – **Spring Break; no classes**
- Apr 25 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass

MAY

- May 2 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- May 7 – First Communion Practices 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. per assigned time
- May 8 – First Communion, 4 p.m.
- May 9
 - 9:30 a.m. Mass Children’s Liturgy of the Word
 - 11:15 a.m. Mass First Communion
- May 12 – Level 1 Parent–Child Gathering, 6:30 p.m.
- May 13 – ***Last day of classes***
- May 14 – First Communion Practices 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. per assigned time
- May 15 – First Communion, 4 p.m.
- May 16 –
 - 9:30 a.m. Mass Children invited forward Levels 3–5
 - Coffee Sunday following 9:30 Mass
 - 11:15 a.m. Mass - First Communion
- May 19 – Level 8 Confirmation (teens, parents & sponsors)
- May 20 – Celebrating Our Catechists, 6:30 p.m.
- May 22 – Youth Mass (Levels 6–8), 4 p.m.
- May 23 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- May 30 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass

JUNE

- June – Registration opens for 2027–28
- June 6 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass

- June 13 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass
- June 19 – Youth Mass (Levels 6–8), 4 p.m.
- June 20
 - Children invited forward 9:30 Mass (Levels 3–5)
 - Coffee Sunday after 9:30 Mass
- June 27 – Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 9:30 Mass