



CALENDAR

September 16th: RE Classes Begin
Parent Orientation

September 23rd: Safe Sunday

September 30th: RE Classes

October 7th: RE Classes

October 14th: RE Classes

October 28th: RE Classes

November 4th: RE Classes

November 11th: RE Classes

November 18th: RE Classes

December 2nd: Apostle Sunday

December 9th: RE Classes

December 16th: RE Classes

January 6th: RE Resumes

January 13th: RE Classes

January 20th: Apostle Sunday

January 27th: RE Classes

February 3rd: RE Classes

February 10th: RE Classes

February 17th: RE Classes

February 24th: RE Classes

March 3rd: RE Classes

March 24th: RE Classes

March 31st: RE Classes

April 7th: RE Classes

April 14th: RE Classes

April 28th: Apostle Sunday

May 5th: RE Classes End

The Sundays not included in this list are days when there are no classes.

ADORATION

The children in 1st through 5th grade go to Adoration once a month from 11:15 –11:30 am. They are introduced to prayer before the Blessed Sacrament through the use of song, posture, and special prayers. Parents are encouraged to make time to join us.


October 28th
November 18th
December 9th
January 13th
February 17th
March 24th
April 14th



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2018 - 2019 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

3, 4, and 5 Year-olds

Age for enrollment is 3 years old by September 1st; however, children must be both potty-trained and mature enough to remain in class and participate in the activities with the other children.



Jesus with the children.

Half of them will be in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.

It's a very quiet, yet hands-on approach to learning the faith. Those who were in this group last year will continue. The other half will be doing our Preschool curriculum. Created especially for 4-year-olds, *Allelu!* by Our Sunday Visitor helps our youngest faithful grow and develop with lessons and activities suited just for them. Life and faith are celebrated as children learn about special seasons and days, scripture, and prayer. Active learning reinforces concepts as the children talk, move, mime, play games, color, cut, glue, draw, or sing to express themselves and their ideas.

First thru 5th Grade

St. Nicholas Parish has chosen to use the Loyola Press series *Finding God: Our Response to God's Gifts* because Loyola Press made a commitment to create a vehicle that would

authentically pass on the truth and beauty of our Catholic faith. *Finding God* gently intertwines experiences in prayer, Scripture, Catholic Social Teaching, and liturgy for children and adults – as individuals, as families, and as learners on a lifelong faith journey.

The *Finding God* program focuses on whole parish catechesis, which means that children learn about their faith based on Scripture readings and the Church's Liturgical Year through stories, music, crafts, and activities, as well as the faith-sharing of their parents and catechists. Each lesson has a "With My Family" page to assist parents in continuing the faith-sharing process during the week. Parents should ask their child(ren) for this page each Sunday!

Classes begin at 10:30 and end at 11:45 am.

Apostle Sundays

During the year there will be three opportunities, called Apostle Sundays, for parents to participate with their children in events that will strengthen their "little church" at home.

The three Apostle Sundays this year are:

- * December 2nd
- * January 20th
- * April 28th

Apostle Sunday events happen during the usual Sunday RE class time.



The desire for God is written on the human heart. [CCC

Sacraments

First Reconciliation, First Communion, and RCIC occur outside the Sunday morning RE classes [see the brochure called First Reconciliation & First Communion and Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC)]. ***Mass attendance & Sunday classes are mandatory for those in Sacramental Preparation.***

Those third through fifth grade students who are already baptized but who have not had the opportunity to attend a regular RE program and need to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Communion will attend their age-appropriate class on Sundays as well as the monthly classes for Sacramental Preparation.

Extreme Weather Policy

Extremely cold weather or dangerously icy roads may result in a cancelled class. When the North Pole *Time and Temperature* message (488.1111) at 8:00 am states the temperature is -40 degrees or colder, or when the condition of roads are too icy, classes will be cancelled. **Notifications will be sent out via Flocknote.**



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