

Saint Patrick's Catholic Church - Bloomington
Religious Education Schedule 2009-2010

Director: The Reverend Ty Bazar, *Pastor*
Coordinators:
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Date	Grades K-6	Grades 7-12	Time/Place/Other Info.
August 19 August 24	Registration Opens Safe Environment Training	ing – Teachers/Volunteers	6-8 p.m. Conference Room 7 p.m. Heritage Room
September 2 September 9	Teacher In-service / Supper First Night of Class 6-7 p.m. Please gather in main hall for	First Night – 7:15 – 8:15 p.m. first fifteen minutes with Father	6:30 p.m. Heritage Room REGISTRATION ENDS Ty and Coordinators for Overview
September 16 September 23	Class 6-7 p.m. Safe Env. Night/Class 6-7 pm*	Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m. Safe Env. Night/Class 7:15 pm*	
September 20 September 27	Catechetical Sunday - Blessing of Teachers and Aids <i>Parish Turkey Dinner</i>	Blessing of Teachers and Aids <i>Volunteers to help/work</i>	10:00 a.m. Church
September 30	Class 6-7 p.m.	Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m.	7th Grade – Quinceñera Lesson <u>Parents please attend</u>
October 4 October 7	First Communion Students Class 6-7 p.m.	Students/Parents Mtg with Fr. Ty Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m.	9:00 a.m. Heritage Room/ Mass at 10
October 14 October 21	Class 6-7 p.m. Class 6-7 p.m.	Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m. Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m.	
October 28	Mass for all at 7:00 p.m.	Mass at 7:00 p.m.	Church
November 4 November 8 November 11	Class 6-7 p.m. First Communion Students Class 6-7 p.m.	Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m. Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m.	9:00 a.m. Heritage Room / Mass at 10
November 18 November 25	Class 6-7 p.m. Thanksgiving Holiday No classes	Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m.	LAST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
December 2 December 9	Class 6-7 p.m. Class 6-7 p.m.	Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m. Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m.	FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT
December 13 December 16	Parish Christmas Party / Class 6-7 p.m.	Children's Pageant/Chorus Class 6-7 p.m.	6:00 p.m. Parish Hall
December 23	C h r i s t m a s H o l i d a y s (n o C l a s s e s)		
January 6 January 13 January 20 January 27	Class 6-7 p.m. Mass for all at 7:00 p.m. Class 6-7 p.m. Class 6-7 p.m.	Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m. Mass at 7:00 p.m. Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m. Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m.	7 p.m. Vocation Week
February 3 February 10 February 14 February 17 February 24	Class 6-7 p.m. Class 6-7 p.m. First Communion Students ASH WEDNESDAY Class 6-7 p.m./Confessions	Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m. Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m. – LENT BEGINS – Class/Confessions	9:00 a.m. Heritage Room/ Mass at 10 Regular Class Times – Service during
March 3 March 7 March 10 March 17 March 24 March 31	Class/Stations/Confessions First Communion Students Mass - All grades at 7:00 p.m. <i>St. Patrick's Day - Spring Break / No classes</i> Class 6-7 p.m. Class 6-7 p.m. Parent Confirmation Meeting	Class/Stations/Confessions Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m. Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m.	9:00 a.m. Heritage Room / Mass at 10 Confirmation Interviews 7:00 p.m. Hall
<i>April 4</i> April 7 April 11 April 14 April 21 <i>April 25</i>	<i>Easter Sunday – Celebration of the Lord's Resurrection</i> Class 6-7 p.m. Sacrament of Confirmation Class 6-7 p.m. Last Class 6-7 p.m. <i>Spring Barbecue</i>	Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m. Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m. Last Class 7:15 – 8:15 p.m.	2:00 p.m. Church First Communion PARENT MTG 6 pm
May 1 May 2	First Penance/Reconciliation First Holy Communion	10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Church (Practice will follow) Church
* Safe Env. Night/Class – means by diocesan law students will be provided one evening on the safety of children around adults, in public, private, and Church related situations. Safe Environment will last one hour, with any class time to follow, pick up is at regular times.			

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Policy

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Mass attendance:

- ✓ Mass attendance is imperative.
- ✓ It is an integral part of your child's faith formation.
- ✓ The Eucharist is the source and summit of our lives. It is from the Eucharist that we find the strength to follow Christ as members of his body. At the Mass, we do what the Lord commanded his disciples to do the night before he died at the Last Supper: "Do this in memory of me."
- ✓ One of the precepts of the Roman Catholic Church is to attend Mass on Sunday. Failure to do so is a sin. If you miss, you are still obligated to attend the following Sunday, but you must first receive sacramental confession before receiving Holy Communion.
- ✓ Please bring your child to Mass on Sunday.

Class attendance:

- ✓ Attendance is required at each and every class.
Each student should complete a minimum of twenty-five hours of religious education.
- ✓ This will mean no more than 3 absences per year.
- ✓ If absences are excessive in one year, the pastor will discuss the situation with the student and parents to assess a viable plan for the next grade level.
- ✓ If you find that you will not be present, please contact your teacher to obtain missed work.
- ✓ Please be on time to class.
This will help to maximize the learning time and not be a distraction to the class.
- ✓ Class time is: Grades 1-6: 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. and Grades 7-12: 7:15 – 8:15 p.m. on every Wednesday (see calendar).

Emergency Closings:

The decision to cancel due to weather or other circumstance will be made as soon as possible and communicated to the faithful.

Arrival and Departure:

- ✓ When dropping off small children, please walk them to their class for their own safety.
- ✓ All children should be picked up promptly at the end of class.

Sacrament classes:

- ✓ **First Penance**
 - The child is educated on the nature of sin in the first grade.
 - The Sacrament of Penance is received during the second grade.
- ✓ **First Communion**
 - The child is educated on the Eucharist in the second grade.
 - The child receives the Sacrament at the end of the second grade.
 - Information will be given regarding parent meetings which are mandatory.
- ✓ **Confirmation**
 - The confirmand is educated in the high school years (beginning 9th grade)
 - The confirmand may receive the Sacrament during the high school years (10-12 grades), most commonly during the tenth grade.
 - Requirements for Confirmation will be explained to the students upon entry into the Confirmation program.
 - All dates and times for rehearsals and ceremonies will be sent by letter.

Behavior:

- ✓ Children enrolled in the parish religious education are expected to behave as is appropriate in an educational setting by:
 1. Respecting their teachers, adults, and fellow students.
 2. Respecting the building in which they are educated.
 3. Wearing proper attire. No baseball caps and no revealing clothing of any kind will be allowed.
No bulky chains around neck, waist or hips.
 4. Being prepared for class. Please bring your folder/paper, pen or pencil.
Completing all assignments.
 5. As a general rule, **no** food should be brought to class. Please eat before arriving for class.
- ✓ Children who continually fail to follow these guidelines will:
 1. Receive a warning from their teacher.
 2. Be sent to the parish office to discuss their conduct.
 3. Will be asked to conference with parent and teacher.
 4. If necessary, the child may be asked to leave the program.

Mission

It is the mission of St. Patrick's Religious Education Program to provide children and youth with education and experiences to fulfill the Church's mission to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ and transform her community through worship, evangelization, and service.