

Religious Education INFORMATION Packet for 2021-22

St. Anastasia Catholic Church

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS: Thursday, September 2, 2021

Participation at each grade level (from 1st—9th grade) before Confirmation is encouraged and expected. Please give us a call if you have been away from Religious Education for a while or if your child has not participated in Religious Education. We will work with you!

There is a mandatory PARENT MEETING for parents of children in PreK - Grade 8. It is being offered twice for your convenience: 7PM Sep 21 or 7PM Sep 22 - in the church.

Course Options (choose one for each of your children):

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is for children who are 3 or 4 years old (by Sep 1, 2021). (Spanish CGS - 3 years old - Knd). Weekly in-person classes beginning the end of September.

***Tuesday 4:30 - 6 p.m.** OR ***Wednesday 5 - 6:30 p.m.** (in English)

***Saturday 10 - 11:30 a.m.** (in Spanish)

Family Catechesis is for **children in Knd - Gr 7** (*not preparing for sacraments this year*). There are 4 day/time options - for ONCE/MONTH in-person classes for families (parent(s) attend with their child(ren)). The rest of the lessons (weekly from the end of September through April) will be at-home family lessons.

***Tuesday 4:30 - 6 p.m.** OR ***Tuesday 6:30 - 8 p.m.** OR ***Wednesday 5 - 6:30 p.m.** (in English)

***Saturday 10 - 11:30 a.m.** (in Spanish)

Family Catechesis PLUS First Communion Prep is for **children preparing for First Reconciliation and First Communion**. Students/families participate in BOTH Family Catechesis AND First Communion Prep classes. In addition, there will be a parent/child retreat in the spring. Typically celebrated in Gr 2 (or Level 2 for Spanish RE), with a one year Religious Education pre-requisite. Children in Gr 3 - 7 may also register, as long as they fulfill the pre-requisite. Please contact the Religious Ed Office if you are not sure your child is eligible to register for this class. Same class days/times as above.

Confirmation Prep Year 1 is for teens in **at least Gr 8** (this is a pre-requisite to the Confirmation Year 2 classes). Meets 2x/month in-person on Sunday, 11:15 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Confirmation Prep Year 2 is for teens in **at least Gr 9, who have completed Year 1 Prep**, who will be Confirmed at the end of this 2nd year of preparation (usually March/April). Meets 2x/month in-person on Sunday, 11:15 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Ways to Register:

- **Online registration at:** www.stanastasia.org/faith-formation/religious-education/registration/
- Mail in paper forms before deadline (Sept 2) (see address above)
- **Walk in - Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 9AM - 3PM through the summer.** It helps if you make an appointment for this option. Simply email the Religious Ed Office, mbrani@stanastasia.org to let us know what day/time you can be here, and we will be sure to be present on that day.

NEW Tuition Rates for 2021-22:

Tuition per FAMILY: \$125 (*additional fees will apply - there is a \$350 CAP for parishioners)

- ***ADDITIONAL FEE** of \$50 for each child registering for **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS)**
- ***ADDITIONAL FEE** of \$50 for each child registering for **Family Catechesis (only - no sacrament prep)**
- ***ADDITIONAL FEE** of \$100 for each child registering for **Family Catechesis PLUS First Communion Prep**
- ***ADDITIONAL FEE** of \$100 for each child registering for **Confirmation Prep**

(Most families will pay less than they did two years ago)

EXAMPLE #1:

I have two children - one in 1st grade and one in 2nd grade - my family tuition will be:

\$125 (Family Fee - every family pays this amount to start)

\$ 50 (Family Catechesis for 1st grader)

\$100 (Family Catechesis PLUS First Communion Prep for 2nd grader)

\$275 TOTAL Family Tuition

EXAMPLE #2:

I have 4 children - one in 3rd grade, one in 5th grade, and twins in 9th grade - my family tuition will be:

\$125 (Family Fee)

\$100 (Family Catechesis for 3rd grader & 5th grader - \$50 each)

\$200 (Confirmation Prep Year 2 for twin 9th graders)

*\$425** TOTAL Family Tuition*

*** Registered parishioners have a \$350 CAP - so the TOTAL Family Tuition is \$350*

If you have any questions - please contact the Religious Ed Office.

Payment in full is expected at the time of registration. Assistance is available for any registered family who cannot afford the fee. If you are in need of a partial waiver, please contact the Religious Ed Office at mbrani@stanastasia.org or 248-689-8380, Ext. 111.

Electronic payments at www.osvhub.com/stanastasia/funds/religious-education-tuition, or you may mail in or drop off a check made payable to: St. Anastasia (w/ TUITION in the memo line), RE Office, 4571 John R, Troy MI 48085.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Q: Will I be contacted after I register?

A: Whether you register today or by the deadline on Sept 2nd, your registration will be confirmed via email (the one you put on the registration form) around Sept 13th. If you do not have email, you may call the office after that day.

Q: Do I need to turn in a copy of my child's baptism certificate to register (one time only)?

A: For those new to the parish: Yes for all grades

A: For current participants: Yes, but only if you have not done so already. You will be contacted if we need a copy of your child's certificate (even if your child was baptized here).

Q: Are there prerequisites to the Sacraments (First Communion & Confirmation)?

A: YES. It is expected and encouraged that children participate at all grade levels of Religious Education as there is much to be learned and experienced. If your child does not meet the "normal" requirements, please call the Religious Ed Office at 248-689-8380, Ext. 111 and we will work out a plan to prepare your children to receive their Sacraments.

Q: I can't afford to pay the full amount of tuition... can I still sign up?

A: Assistance is available for any registered family who cannot afford the fee. If you are in need of a partial waiver or payment plan, call the Religious Ed Office at 248-689-8380, Ext. 111. Waivers do not "carry over" from year to year.