



A Testament to Christ

August 2018

Dear Parents,

What an incredible blessing and privilege it is to be engaged in the vocation of Faith Formation at St. Olaf parish! We have a multitude of opportunities available for all ages. Please help us plan for the year and sign up for religious education classes, youth group activities, volunteer opportunities, and more by **Wednesday, September 19th**.

Please note that while we offer religious education classes on Wednesday evenings for non-Regis students, we're also offering many faith formation opportunities for Regis students, public school students, homeschool students, and adults. The enclosed calendars and registration forms are intended for *everyone*.

If you are enrolling your child in 1st-10th grade religious education (this is for children who aren't enrolled in Regis Catholic Schools), tuition is \$70/student with a \$10 late fee after September 14th. If you have more than three children, tuition is free for the fourth, fifth child (etc.). Classes will meet Wednesday evenings from 6:15pm-7:30pm.

On Wednesday, September 19th, all eighth grade parents and students will have an orientation meeting for our Small Faith Groups in the Conference Room (formerly the school cafeteria). This meeting includes public school families, homeschool families, and Regis Catholic Schools families.

On Wednesday, September 26th, we'll kick off the year with a Family Welcome Mass at 6:15pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. After Mass, students enrolled in religious education classes are invited to visit the classrooms, meet the teachers, and pick up their textbooks.

We are all called to participate both in our own Faith Formation and in helping form the faith of our children. It will take the efforts of our entire community to help them grow in faith. Please sign up to help with one of the following opportunities:

- Committing to pray for a student or class throughout the year
- Volunteering as a catechist (training and support are available), a substitute catechist, or an aide in one of the classrooms
- Attending the Emmaus Walk Scripture Studies on Wednesday nights during Religious Education classes
- Signing up for Alpha (a basic course on Christianity for adults), RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults), a Faith Sharing Group, or a Bible Study to grow in your own faith
- Chaperoning a retreat or service project
- Preparing meals
- Donating toward our Faith Formation Wish List

Please return the enclosed Registration Form to the parish office by Wednesday, September 19th. You can drop it off or mail it to St. Olaf Parish PO Box 1203 Eau Claire, WI 54703.

May God bless our parish and our parishioners as we grow together in faith this year!

Sincerely,

Tricia Walsh
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