

2017-2018 Faith Formation Class Information

Faith Formation is an ongoing program of Catholic education and sacramental preparation through the eleventh grade. Children receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Reconciliation for the first time in second grade, and the Sacrament of Confirmation in eleventh grade.

Changes

As mentioned in the recent letter to all Faith Formation families, there are a few program changes as highlighted below:

- 1) The Pre-K/Kindergarten program will be replaced by CLOW at the Sunday 10:30 am Mass.
- 2) Classes for grades 6-11 will meet on the church campus. Large groups will break out into existing small groups.
- 3) Confirmation will take place this fall on Sunday, November 19th at 4 PM.

Registration

Again this year, your family registration form is prefilled. Please verify that all information is correct. Each packet includes the following documents to be completed, signed and submitted at registration.

- Faith Formation Programs Registration & Parental/Guardian Consent form.
- Medical Information/Liability Waiver (goldenrod) one for each student
- Volunteer Background Check Authorization Form (blue) one for each parent in order to volunteer

Payment (one of three methods - see your registration form for the fee schedule)

- Checks payable to “St Andrew” or cash (held until July 1st).
- St Andrew website: <http://www.saint-andrew.net/>. Click “Online Giving” bar in the lower right corner of the main page.
- Credit Card swiper is available at on-sight registration.

Volunteers

Please prayerfully consider volunteering to teach or substitute in the Faith Formation program this year. Materials and training for all teachers and substitutes are provided. All volunteers are required to complete Safe Environment training (please see “Safe Environment” below).

Safe Environment

At St. Andrew’s and as part of the St. Cloud Diocese, all staff, volunteers and potential volunteers are required to complete and submit Safe Environment training and a Background Check form. This is for everyone’s protection when being among children and at-risk adults in our parish and diocese. Volunteers must have the required training and forms submitted at least one month prior to the first volunteer opportunity such as Faith Formation, field trips, Feed My Starving Children, etc.

For the “Background Check”, please complete and submit the enclosed form for each parent.

For the yearly Safe Environment training please follow the link below (**after July 15th**). The Background Check step can be skipped if it is submitted with the registration packet. You can also attend a Safe Environment training session in the fall. Dates will be announced in mid-summer.

<http://stcdio.org/about/safe-environment/safeenvironmenttraining/>

Please email Lori at lorii@saint-andrew.net when you have completed the training. The information you provide is held with strict confidentiality. The success of St. Andrew’s missions depends on the parishioners and volunteers. Thank you so much for your continued support.