

Faith Formation is the religious education program for families with children in first through seventh grade. These children typically are enrolled in public schools where no religious education is offered.

Recognizing that parents are the first and best educators of their children in matters of faith, the Sacred Heart Catholic Church Faith Formation Process works in partnership with families to form the faith of our young parishioners. Our Faith Formation programs are meant to strengthen and build upon the faith that occurs within families.

Studies show that parents are the MOST IMPORTANT element in a child's faith-life. This is why the Church asks parents, at their child's Baptism, to accept the responsibility of forming their child in the practice of the faith.

The following documents are required at the time of registration:

- Copy of your child's birth certificate.
- Copy of your child's baptism certificate.

Faith Formation Classes for Children in $3^{rd} - 6^{th}$ Grade:

It combines monthly Classroom Lessons guided by Parish Catechists with at home weekly lessons guided by parents or guardians. In addition, monthly workshops guided by Parish Catechists will be offered to students where they will learn more about our Catholic Faith through teaching, discussion and activities. For more information, contact the Office of Faith Formation at rectory@sacredheartfamily.com

First Holy Communion Preparation for Children:

Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist requires TWO consecutive years of classes. Preparation begins in 1st grade and concludes in May of 2nd grade after two academic years of preparation. These sacraments mark two very important steps in a child's faith journey. Preparation for children already in 2nd grade and above, we provide a special Sacramental Preparation Process. For more information, contact the Office of Faith Formation at rectory@sacredheartfamily.com



Confirmation Sacramental Preparation for Youth:

Confirmation Sacramental Preparation requires TWO consecutive years of Faith Formation instruction. It begins in the 8th grade, which we call Year 1. Candidates are required to either participate in both Confirmation 1 and 2 or attend 8th grade in a Catholic School and then participate in Confirmation 2. It incorporates classroom faith formation, family-based sessions, retreats, and service opportunities. The Sacramental Preparation for students already in 9th grade and above will require a special process. For more information, contact the Office of Faith Formation at rectory@sacredheartfamily.com