## **WELCOME TO PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2018-2019!**

2225. Through the grace of the sacrament of marriage, parents receive the responsibility and privilege of evangelizing their children. Parents should initiate their children at an early age into the mysteries of the faith...They should associate them from their tenderest years with the life of the Church.

2226. The parish is the Eucharistic community and the heart of the liturgical life of Christian families...It is a privileged place for the catechesis of children and parents.

- The Catechism of the Catholic Church

"God trumps sports every day of the week AND twice on Sunday!"

-Fr. Christopher Bohnsack

Welcome to the 2018-19 Parish School of Religious Education program (PSR)! This year we will be offering classes for those seeking the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

**Parents** – As Catholics entrusted with the blessing of children, you have been granted the responsibility to carry out God's command to spread the Good News both in your homes and throughout the world. By enrolling your child(ren) in PSR, in corporation with the Church and our dedicated teachers, your child(ren) will be given tools in order to advance and follow God's evangelical message.

In PSR, our religious instruction strives to form children who will become life-long devoted Catholics, confident Our Lord is always a constant presence in their lives. With this religious opportunity, they will become enthusiastic Catholics, passionate as they grow from children to adults, secure in the knowledge of the saving grace of their personal Catholicism.

**Students** – Our instructors promise classes that are faith-filled, fun-filled, and a weekly celebration of community through the teachings of Our Lord, Jesus Christ!

It is expected that students and parents attend Mass each weekend as part of our Catholic obligation. This is where we have the opportunity to come together as a community to share our beliefs and become the followers of Christ we are called to be by our Baptism. It is a fantastic way to "teach without words!"

IMPORTANT! First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation REQUIRE two years of Sacramental Preparation. Absences of more than THREE (3) classes could prevent the student from receiving the Sacrament. Therefore, class attendance must be a weekly priority!

Classes will be held Wednesdays, from 7:00 – 8:00 PM at Sacred Heart Parish School. A tentative schedule is attached.

In case of inclement weather, PSR will follow the St. Joseph/Sacred Heart closing schedule. If the weather becomes inclement during the day, parents will be notified via e-mail, text, and on their parish Facebook pages.

Please register no later than Wed., Sept. 26. Registration forms are available at the back of the Church, picked up at each Parish office, or accessed via the Parish website. Cost is \$15 per student.

For questions or concerns, please call Sarah Paynter (419) 565-6951 or Fr. Chris (419) 683-2015.

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(Parent Signature)	St. Joseph/Sacred Heart Parish School of Religious Education Program.
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