

Hello SKD Families & OLMM Families, Children & Friends...

I hope you are all having a wonderful summer, have recharged those batteries as we now prepare to begin another school year!

Below is a brief video message from me regarding our registration process for our Religious Education along with many important attachments you need to review along with events coming up to enrich you and your families! As always, if you don't have time to take a listen, I have attached the "Takeaways" below the link and passcode.

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Important Takeaways as we move forward to the new year:

- **Religious Education & Sacramental Prep Sessions:** Begin Sunday, September 18th. Please see attached Religious Ed Calendar with times and locations.
- **Registration now Open:** Please take advantage of our reduced fees until August 15th! Please see attached Religious Ed Calendar for the fee structure. If your child(ren) attending last year, we have promoted them to the next grade level so no need to fill out any Registration Form. You will receive an e-mail over the next week stating the fees required and you can come in and pay, call our Parish Office at 239-283-0525 and make a payment over the phone or go to our website at www.drexelcc.org and make an online payment by clicking on the Religious Ed Icon. If you were not with us last year or are new to Saint Katharine Drexel, please make sure you fill out a Parish and Religious Education Form attached and drop off and the same payment options apply.
- **Catechist Meeting:** Sunday, August 14th at 10am in the Parish Hall. This is a very important meeting for all existing and new Catechists as we discuss the coming year, materials, and protocols as we welcome back our families and children! Please make every effort to attend.
- **Religious Ed Parent Meeting:** Sunday, August 21st at 10am in the Parish Hall. This is for all families both existing and new to review the expectations of the school year, give overview of program highlights and answer any questions you may have. Please make sure at least one parent/grandparent attends.
- **Religious Ed Sacramental Parent Meeting:** Sunday, August 28 at 10am in the Parish Hall. This is for any family who has a child(ren) who needs to be Baptized or will be making their First Reconciliation, First Communion or who will beginning Confirmation Preparation or who will be confirmed this year.
- **Catechists and Classroom Assistant/Techs Needed:** Is God calling you to assist this year in one of our Religious Ed classes or would like to learn more? Please reach out to me as we would love to have you join our team of AMAZING Catechists that accompany our children on their journey with our Lord!
- **Children's Choir Sign-Up 2022:** Is your child interested in joining our SKD Children's Choir? Please see attached for and reach out to Mr. John Hudak, our Music Director!
- **Alpha:** Parents/Grandparents are you looking to deepen your faith and the faith of your children, meet other others who want to do the same? Join me this September for a life-changing experience. Please see the Alpha flyer and be my guest at the "Come and See Dinner" and learn more! It is free and no commitment just an open mind and heart is need!
- **In Search of Mary-Queen of Peace:** Join me Monday, August 15th, for a wonderful evening as we learn more about our Lady and her impact, on each every of us, from 7-9pm in the Parish Hall. Please see the attached flyer with all the specifics and what better way to celebrate the Assumption of our Blessed Mother!

I so look forward to welcoming you and your family back for another wonderful year of Faith, fellowship and Fun as we all grow closer to our Lord Jesus Christ!

Have a blessed day and weekend and do hesitate to reach out if I and my team can be of assistance to you@

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