



## Circle of Grace Curriculum

The Diocese of Salt Lake City's program for the safe environment education of children is called Circle of Grace. It is integrated into the formation of children and young people in our religious education programs. Circle of Grace aims to equip our children by arming them with essential knowledge and skills grounded in the richness of our faith. This program helps children and young people understand their own (and other's) dignity in mind, body, and spirit.

The Catholic Church teaches that God has created each of us as unique and special. Genesis 1:27 tells us that we are created "male and female in God's image" and that God saw this as "very good." In that goodness, we are meant to respect ourselves and everyone else as persons created and loved by God.

Adults assist children to recognize God's love by helping them to understand that each of us lives and moves in a Circle of Grace. You can imagine your own Circle of Grace by putting your arms above your head, then circle down in front of your body, including side to side. This circle, front to back, holds who you are in your body and through your senses. It holds your very essence in mind, heart, soul, and sexuality.

God intends our relationships in life to be experiences of divine love. Respectful, nurturing, loving relationships increase our understanding of our own value and help us to love others. It is never too early to help children understand how very special they are and how relationships in life are called to be sacred. Understanding this can help them protect the special person they are and be respectful of others.

Adults, especially parents, as they strive to provide a safe and protective environment, hold the responsibility to help children and young people understand and respect their own dignity and that of others. **A truly safe and protective environment is one where children and young people recognize when they are safe or unsafe and know how to bring their concerns, fears, and uncertainties to the trusted adults in their lives.**

Many protection programs focus on "stranger danger." However, up to 90% of the time, the perpetrator is known to the child or young person such as a relative or family friend. Circle of Grace goes beyond just protection by helping them understand the sacredness of who they are and how to seek help through their relationships with trusted adults.



### Circle of Grace Symbol

- a) **Red Circle of Grace Words**- Color of the Holy Spirit
- b) **Person** – child of God
- c) **Yellow Circle**- Grace
- d) **Dove**- Holy Spirit
- e) **Blue Background**- the world Around us.

- **We are in a Circle of Grace with God** and surrounded by God's love.
- **We will behave with respect** for ourselves and for others.
- **We are sacred, holy and unique** because God has created each of us in His images and likeness.

### ***Please Pray for our family & friends***

Brian Scharrer	Jim & Phyllis Carpenter	Rob Dwyer
Cheryl Kartes	Jim Keys	Salvadore Medina †
Christina Munoz	Jim Scarth †	Samuel Scarth
David Pope	Joseph Graziano	Steve Kist
Dionesio Briones †	Karen Poelakker	Sue Munoz
Don Taylor	Kitty Woolridge	Ray White
Doug Pope †	Kyle Hanson †	Ruth Mounts
Fred Hawkes	Laura Fawson	Tom & Carol Porter
Gordon Bryson	Mark Borowiak	Torii Cain
Hector Garduno †	Norm Engle	Tracy Goodin
Cecelia Hernandez	Rae Crozier	Vince Guglielmetti SR †
Jean Bourque †	Raul Reyna	Wanda Guglielmetti †
Jill Nagrodsky	Richard McAfee †	Wendy & Lance Tanner

We are a Mission of St George Catholic Church; our priests travel from St George to celebrate mass here.

### **CONTACT A PRIEST**

Saint George Catholic Church  
(435) 673-2604  
www.saintgeorgecatholics.com

**Pastor, Reverend**  
**David Bittmenn,**  
Reverend Franklin Minzaki  
Deacon Dan Weber

**Communion to the**  
**Sick & Homebound:**  
**Please contact the church office.**

## Parish Calendar

**NO MASS Saturday August 30th because of PEACH DAYS**

**MASS:** Sunday 12:30pm

**BIBLE STUDY:** Will start in Sept. Contact Lynn Spencer to join the new study. Mondays at 12:30p "Paul's Early & Prison Letters"

**ROSARY:** Monday @ 2pm

**KNIGHTS ROUNDTABLE:**

Not meeting July or August

**COMMUNION SERVICE:**

Wednesday 9am

**BINGO:** Thursday, Sept 18th

Doors open at 6p - 1st game at 6:30

**ADORATION:**

Saturday, Aug 23rd, 7-8p

Wed. Sept 10th - 9:30-10a

**Ladies Breakfast Club:**

2nd Monday, Sept 8th

at 9:30a at River Rock Roasters

## **VOLUNTEERS in the SPOTLIGHT!**

### **Sarah Brinkerhoff - First Holy Communion**

I have lived in the area my whole life. I was born in Kanab and went to St. Christopher's as a child. After moving to LaVerkin, I went to St. George and then later to Saint Paul's. I am married and have two children. We also have one dog, a German Shepherd mix. I did an online course from the Diocese of Salt Lake City and was certified to be a catechist through that. Since 2020, I have been studying the Bible through Bishop Barron's weekly sermon online. I also enjoy learning the stories of the saints in my free time.

I have been a catechist at St. Paul's for the last four years and find great happiness in teaching the kids.



### **PRAYER WARRIORS OF SAINT PAUL's**

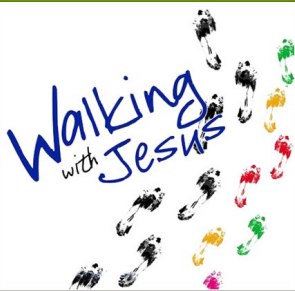
Is an intercessory prayer group of volunteers who pray from their hearts in the privacy of their homes.

Urgent Prayer requests are submitted by a text request and are answered with ongoing loving prayers by the dedicated Prayer Warriors.

The love of sharing this time for their neighbors, friends and family and the belief of being in communion with the Blessed Mother Mary, the Holy Saints and angels through the love of Jesus Christ, has seen many blessings for those they have prayed for throughout the years.

If you are interested in being a Prayer Warrior of Saint Paul's or are in need of prayers for you or a loved one, please text your request to 414-559-0895.

**May God bless you and your family,**  
*The Prayer Warriors of Saint Paul's*



## **Religious Ed Information**

### **First Classes**

**First Communion - Tues Aug 26th**  
**Confirmation - Wed Aug 27th**

### **NEW DAYS & CLASS HOURS:**

**Sarah & Kokys - First Holy Communion**  
**Tuesdays, 5p - 6:30p**

**Jenn & Melissa**  
**First Holy Communion**  
**Tuesdays, 6p - 7:30p**

**Lauren & Matthew - Confirmation**  
**WEDNESDAY**  
**5:30p - 7p**