

## FAITH FORMATION GUIDELINES

The following are the policies of the Corpus Christi Parish Faith Formation Program:

### **Admission:**

A family must be registered with the parish in order to have children participate in the Faith Formation Program. Parish Registration can be completed online through the parish website [www.corpuschristiparish.org](http://www.corpuschristiparish.org).

### **Grades 1 - 9:**

Please complete a registration form for each student in the Faith Formation Program. Please include any allergies, health issues or special needs.

### **Class Sessions:**

#### **Grades 1 - 4**

Sunday 10:15am - 11:15am  
Monday 4:30pm - 5:30pm  
Tuesday 4:30pm - 5:30pm

#### **Grades 5 - 7**

Monday 6:30pm - 7:30pm  
Tuesday 6:30pm - 7:30pm

### **Grades 8 & 9: Confirmation Preparation**

Each grade will meet 10 times between September 2017 and April 2018 from 6:00pm – 7:30pm. Confirmation Two will be required to attend the Confirmation Retreat in December. Class dates are listed on the Faith Formation Calendar.

### **Fees:**

**Grades 1 - 7** \$40.00  
**Grade 8** \$50.00  
**Grade 9** \$115.00  
**Homeschool** \$50.00

\*An additional \$10 fee will be charged for registrations received after August 30, 2017.

### **Faith Formation Calendar:**

The Faith Formation Calendar can be viewed on the parish website and is subject to change.

### **Mass Attendance:**

Our Faith Formation program involves both classroom instruction and participation in the life of the parish, principally through the Sunday Mass. We encourage and expect all parish families to attend Mass every Sunday, either here or at another church. The Mass schedule at Corpus Christi is 4:00pm on Saturday, 7:30am, 9:00am & 10:45am on Sunday with the 9:00am Mass including a special Liturgy of the Word for children.

### **Attendance:**

Students are asked to make every effort to attend each class. If a class is missed, the student is asked to complete the lesson missed. An “excused” absence will be given for illness. Any student in grades 1 - 7 with five or more absences will not be promoted to the next grade level. Any extenuating circumstances can be discussed with the Coordinator of Faith Formation.

Confirmation students in grades 8 & 9 may not miss more than two classes. Class lessons must be completed when a student is absent from a class. There is a link to the lessons on the parish website Confirmation page.

**Arrival/Dismissal from class:**

Students are asked to arrive on time for class each week. Classes begin at the appointed times. Parents of students in grades 1 – 4, are required to drop off and pick up their children from the classroom. Any student who arrives late will be required to enter through the Faith Formation Office as the outside doors to the building are locked once classes begin.

Students will be dismissed at the appointed time. Parents are asked to pick students up on time. Younger students will not be permitted to leave the building without supervision.

We ask all parents to be careful when driving in the parking lot, as there may be children running around. Also, please make sure your child knows how to safely go through the parking lot.

**Promotion:**

Students will be promoted based upon effort, attendance and cooperation in class. Promotion to the next grade is not automatic should there be some serious deficiency in behavior, attendance, or effort.

**Dress Code:**

There is no official dress code for students attending classes. Casual and sport clothing is acceptable. **Please note:** Baseball caps and cleats are not allowed to be worn in the building.

**Cell Phones:**

Cell phones are not allowed to be used during class time. If a student brings a cell phone to class, it must be turned off until the end of class. If you need to get in touch with your child during class time, please call the office at 508-888-0209 x107.

**Snow Days:**

When due to inclement weather, school is cancelled in Sandwich, there will be no Faith Formation classes. Also, if the Town of Sandwich closes school early due to the weather, there will be no classes. If time permits, cancellations will be posted on the parish website and on the parish answering machine.

**Documentation:**

Any new registration must be accompanied by a recent copy of the child's Baptismal certificate, if they were not baptized here. Please contact the church of Baptism and request that a new certificate be sent to Corpus Christi Parish, attn.: Faith Formation Office.

