

Opening the Doors of Sunday School

We will be opening our classroom doors for Sunday School on September 20, 2020 while following MD guidelines for social distancing. Our brave Men and Women Catechists are pressing on in this pandemic whether virtually or physically.

All who enter the Parish Center during class times must wear masks and practice social distancing.

With love, prayer and guidance from the Holy Spirit, we have developed an entry and exit plan for our students coming to the Parish Center for Sunday School.

For entry:

We will have vehicle drop off at the door as the only option. No one is permitted to walk up to the Parish Center for Sunday School class for everyone's safety. Vehicles are to line up with grades 1 – 5 (and 9th) at the downstairs doors and 6 – 8 at the upstairs door (Signs to guide everyone will be posted.). On approach, please put mask on and roll the window down. Parent/Student volunteers will be waiting to take your temperature before you exit your vehicle. If your temperature is 100.4 F or below, then you can continue to the next step. If the temperature is higher than 100.4 then you will not be allowed to attend class that day, nor anyone in the vehicle. This way, there is no exposure of the virus in the Parish Center. A list of questions will also be asked issued from the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

Next, will be a hand sanitizer station. Please clean your hands and enter the building. You will be instructed to which classroom and seat in order to begin class. Every child will have their own set of materials with their name. No one is permitted to share materials such as pencils, crayons, pens, books,

etc... We do encourage you to share your thoughts and ideas, though. We will print a copy of the Gospel for each child and not use the Bibles.

For dismissal:

The vehicles are to line up in the same manner as drop off. Each child will be dismissed to their parent/guardian in the car. We will give out signs with your child(ren)'s name on them. Please hold up the sign so we know which child to get ready next.

While safety is a priority, we would like to offer a loving and happy environment for the students. We, everyone (teachers, assistants, students, parents, and guardians) are warriors through this pandemic. We are not only fighting the virus; we are fighting fear and anxiety. Jesus is the Truth, the Life and the Way and we come together to praise and learn about Him.

Tidbits to help the process run smoothly:

We will have a small number of children so we believe the above process will go quickly. To avoid unnecessary delay, Vehicles with children in grade 6 – 8, please enter from the Park Avenue (Historic Church) side. Vehicles with children in grades 1 – 5 (and grade 9 (8 am class)) please enter from the High street (Back entrance) side. If parents have children in both levels, please start with the Park Ave entrance, drop off the older students and then drive down to the lower level to drop off the younger students. It's okay if you come in on a different side, just remain in the line and continue through until you get to the proper destination.

There will be a screening form for each child in their folder. Please fill out the form the morning before arriving. Otherwise, the screening volunteers will have to ask the questions while you are in line.

Classrooms will be disinfected after the students leave and before the next class arrives.