



**CAP Religious Education  
Family Faith Formation Program  
Registration Packet**

**Grades 1 – 6  
Parish/Home-based Program**

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## **St. Isidore the Farmer Catholic Area Parishes**

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### **2011-12**

***Classes are held***

**Wednesday Evenings from 6:45 – 8:00 pm**

### **PROGRAM COORDINATORS**

*Father Bill Sprigler, Pastor*

*Deacon Michael Thoennes, Faith Formation Director*

*Robbie Jennings, Religious Education Director*



**“Teach them to carry out everything I have commanded you.**

**And know that I am with you always.”**

**-Matthew 28:20**

**“Appreciate wisdom and discipline, understand words of intelligence; receive training in wise conduct, in what is right, just and honest; that resourcefulness, knowledge and discretion may be imparted to the young.”**

**-Proverbs 1:2-4**



August, 2011

Dear Parents,

We are excited to announce and invite you to a new Family Faith Formation Program for children in Grades 1 through 6. How does it work? Parents, children and the parish work in partnership to build and maintain strong Catholic families. The Church's shift in direction is based on the following critical, but long-neglected principles, namely:

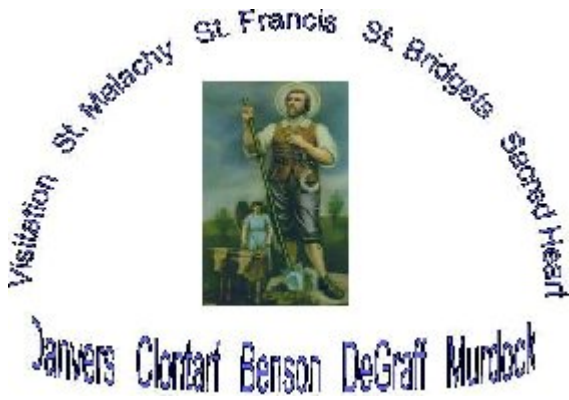
- A. As a parent or guardian, yours is the God-given, primary role in nurturing the faith life of your children. At the final baptism blessing, parents are reminded that they are the first and primary teachers of the faith;
- B. As members of the human family, you and your children will always share the deep internal longing to know God better. This opportunity in religious education nourishes that longing to share the Good News and is meant to foster your relationship with Jesus.
- C. Encountering God in the practice of faith with your children in the surest way to find meaning in your own spiritual life, to reminded of your own life in Christ Jesus, and the Holy Spirit;
- D. When the church of the home and the church of the parish work together, LASTING faith formation results.
- E. In our society today often the Catholic family has lost its Catholic Culture. The stability of the local church community depends upon the building blocks of Catholic family life to fulfill its mission, to make Jesus Christ known and loved both individually and in the world.

In addition to fun, quality time with your children, and the opportunity for personal faith growth, other practical benefits include:

1. Completing faith formation activities on your family's schedule.
2. A very minimal cost compared with regular religious education tuition.
3. Only one trip per month into Benson on Wednesday evenings (unless of course, you have other children in the Grades 7, 8, 9, 10, or 11 program.)

What you need to do next:

- Register your child/ren by printing off the forms from the parish website and returning them along with full payment for your family. Your forms may be returned by mail, delivered to Parish Office or placed in the week-end collection basket.
- You must first be registered in the Parish in order to register for Religious Education. Please stop by the Parish Office if you haven't registered.



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## FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

**Note: I need a new registration for everyone, even if registered in the past.)**

**Last Name of Child(ren):** \_\_\_\_\_

**PRINCIPAL CONTACT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Child(ren) live with: Both Parents** \_\_\_\_\_ **Mother** \_\_\_\_\_ **Father** \_\_\_\_\_

**Family Last Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Father's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Mother's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **P.O. Box #** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State: MN** **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

*We always are in need of volunteers, please see next page*

Child Name	Grade	Birthday	Gender
1			
2			
3			
4			

**My family is registered at:**

Sacred Heart (Murdock)

St. Francis (Benson)

St. Malachy (Clontarf)

St. Bridget (DeGraff)

Not Registered

**Tuition Rate**                      **Number of Children Total By Grade**

Grades 1, 3 through 10 is \$35 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Out of Parish is \$50.00 per child

**Sacramental Programs:**

Grade 2 & 11 is \$50 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Out of Parish is \$100.00

**Total tuition \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **In-parish family maximum is \$90.00**

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*The registration deadline for current parishioners is Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>. Return your registration and tuition payment to the address listed above, or place it in the week-end collection at Mass.

# CAP RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

## Parent Assistance

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I will be able to help with:

1. Substitute in an emergency:

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Be a teacher aide in the classroom:

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Help provide child care for parents  
attending adult education classes:

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Baby-sit for teachers and group leaders:

\_\_\_\_\_

5. Assist with special events, provide treats, etc:

\_\_\_\_\_

6. Join a group to pray for the success  
of our Religious Education Program:

\_\_\_\_\_



**\*\*Please help if you can\*\***

**A. If teaching Positions are still open, I am willing to teach:**

1. 1<sup>st</sup> Choice \_\_\_\_\_

2. 2<sup>nd</sup> Choice \_\_\_\_\_

3. 3<sup>rd</sup> Choice \_\_\_\_\_

**B. We always parents willing to be substitutes in an emergency. You will never be contacted more than three (3) times in a School Year. Please indicate Grade Level preference.**

Primary (1-3) \_\_\_\_\_

Intermediate (4-6) \_\_\_\_\_

Junior High (7-8) \_\_\_\_\_

High School (9-11) \_\_\_\_\_

Please contact Deacon Mike with any questions at: 952.465.8293!

**CODE OF CONDUCT FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS**  
**(This Code of Conduct is for all students (age-appropriate, of course.)**

Teachers of Religious Education perform an invaluable service to the parents of Catholic Area Parishes. Theirs is a time-consuming and challenging job, as you can well imagine. They need to cover volumes of material in just over one hour a week and it can be frustrating when students are disruptive. Your responsibility as non-teaching parents is to deliver and pick up your young person on time, to discuss with them the content covered in class, and to assure small group leaders of his/her consistent, appropriate behavior.

Our policy states that: **when the adult leader considers a student's behavior to be consistently off task, inappropriate or disrespectful, that student will receive ONE verbal warning. Any subsequent problem will be reported by phone to the Director of Religious Education. Parents will be contacted before the next class period to choose one of three options:**

- A: Parents may volunteer to teach a group in which their young person is a participant.
- B: Parents will receive leader guides and training to home school their student. A follow-up quiz will be given by the Director of Religious Education.
- C: Parents will accompany their student to his/her class to assist with instruction and behavior.

**Parent or Guardian:** I agree that my young person(s) shall abide by the contract outlined above. I have reviewed it and discussed the contract with my child(ren) prior to signing this form. I agree that if my child(ren) fails to consistently abide by the Code or engages in a serious infraction of the Code, I will be notified immediately to choose from the options listed above.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Student:** I understand and agree to the **Catholic Area Parish's Religious Education Code of Conduct Contract**. I also understand that my parent(s) or guardian() will be notified at the time of any infraction following **ONE** verbal warning.  
(Your signature must appear below in order to participate in the CAP Education Program.)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Adult leaders will review contract with students as needed.**