



## **St. Ann's Catholic Church**

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105 S. Snead Street, Ashland, Virginia 23005

June 2018

Dear St. Ann's Families:

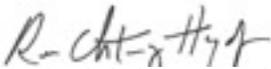
Enclosed is the Registration Form for our 2018-2019 Christian Formation Program to enroll in either the regular Sunday or Wednesday classes for K-12<sup>th</sup> grade, or in "F.I.R.E." The opening session for all is the community-building Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 9th. Regular classes will begin meeting the following week. To register your children for next year's program, **completely fill out front and back** of the Registration Form and **mail it with fee payment** to St. Ann's Catholic Church, Attention: Christian Formation Registration. Please register before July 31st to secure your preferred class placement for your child(ren). **Space is limited. "First come, first served."**

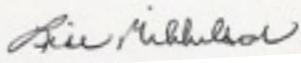
Families participating in our CF programs **must be registered members** of St. Ann's parish.

- **All registration forms and payment should be returned by mail by July 31, 2018.** Postmark dates will be used to ensure that classes are filled in the order that registrations are received. Registrations received after July 31st may affect your child's placement. ***Class sizes will be limited based on age.***
- **FEES:**
  - ❖ **Before the July 31, 2018 deadline, the registration fee is \$35\*** per child (with a maximum of \$100 per family).
  - ❖ **After July 31, the regular fee is \$40\*** per child (with a maximum fee of \$120 per family).
  - ❖ The fee for FIRE is \$50\* per family.
  - ❖ **\*There is an additional Sacramental Preparation fee of \$40** for children who will be preparing to receive sacraments (Reconciliation, First Eucharist, or Confirmation) for additional activities and materials. (This does not include the Confirmation Retreat fee – TBD.)
- The **Children's Program** (K- 5<sup>th</sup> grade): Classes are Sundays from 9:45 to 10:45AM, or on Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:00PM. ***Please note: Once the Sunday class is filled, all others will be assigned to Wednesday evening.***
- The **Middle School Program** (6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade): Three sessions are offered: **1) Sundays from 12:15PM–1:15PM. 2) Wednesday from 6:00-7:00PM and 3) a session exclusively for families with children registered in BOTH the Middle School and Children's programs:** Sundays from 9:45 to 10:45AM.
- The **High School Program** (9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>) meets on Sundays, 12:15 to 1:15PM. Or on Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00PM. The diocesan-required Confirmation Prep classes are held on Sunday afternoons.
- **F.I.R.E.** consists of groups of 3 or 4 families meeting twice a month for about 2½ hours, and twice a year with all participating FIRE families. Meetings, held in the homes of these families, involve sharing a meal, a whole group activity, and age appropriate breakout groups. Parents serve as catechists facilitating each session. Children in Sacramental Preparation years are also required to attend the Sacramental Preparation classes here at St. Ann's.
- Parents are expected to help with the program. **Please consider serving as a Catechist or Substitute Catechist.** (All parents will be assigned various tasks where help is needed. Schedules will be mailed in early September.)

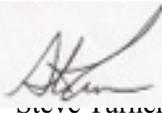
Remember: parents have the most effective, powerful and enduring influence on shaping the character and faith of their children, and the best tool you have is teaching by *example*. ***And the most important example you can give is to attend Mass regularly with your children.***

With prayers for God's continued blessings on you and your family,

  
(Rev.) Christian J. Haydinger  
Pastor

  
Lise Mikkelsen  
Minister of Christian Formation

  
Julie Hendricks  
CF Children's Coordinator

  
Steve Turner  
CF Youth Coordinator