# PROGRAM SCHEDULE, 2022–2023:

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY (during the

### 11 am Mass):

- October 2 & 23
- November 6 & 20
- December 4
- January 15 & 29
- February 12 & 26
- March 12 & 26
- April 23
- May 7 & 28
- June 11

## **GATHERINGS** (10:15-10:45 am):

- October 16 & 30
- November 13 & 27
- December 11
- January 8 & 22
- February 5 & 19
- March 5 & 19
- April 2, 16 & 30
- May 14

## **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

#### **CHURCH LOCATION:**

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## COVID-19:

Although Covid-19 restrictions have been lifted, please note:

- We would ask that students stay home if they are not feeling well.
- Wearing a mask is optional, however, masks are still recommended for indoor settings.
- Masks will be available.
- Hand sanitizer will be available at entrances and in each classroom.

ST. FRANCIS AND ST. CLARE OF ASSISI PARISH AT ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CHURCH RELIGIOUS **EDUCATION PROGRAM** 2022-2023

## **OVERVIEW:**

ST. FRANCIS AND ST. CLARE OF ASSISI PARISH offers a Religious Education Program for students from grade primary to nine.

Religious education for **elementary school students** is hosted at our four local churches. St. Catherine of Siena offers bi-weekly gatherings, preparation for First Reconciliation and First Communion (grade 2), Children's Liturgy and children's bulletins.



Religious instruction for **junior high students**, including Confirmation instruction (grade nine), is provided through the Parish Youth Group. For information, please contact Laurie Tarulli at <u>laureltarulli@yahoo.com</u>.

The **ELEMENTARY PROGRAM** aims to involve the family unit in the life of their child's faith formation, and in the life of the community in which they worship.

## The program recognizes:

- The Sunday Celebration of the Mass as the centre of our Catholic faith.
- The presence of our families in the celebration of our Sunday liturgy.
- The parents/guardians as the primary educators of their children.
- The role of the Religious Education Program in supporting parents/ guardians in sharing their faith with their children.
- The role of the worshipping community in celebrating the presence of these young people within our community.

grade primary to six gather on a biweekly basis to grow in their understanding of the Catholic faith. The Gatherings take place on Sundays, from 10:15-10:45 am, in the Church Hall.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY is offered every second Sunday, during the 11:00 am Mass. Welcoming children ages three and up, Children's Liturgy helps younger members of our Parish Family explore the gospel message in an age-appropriate fashion, through the Children's Lectionary and special activities.



CHILDREN'S BULLETINS, which "bring home" the gospel message through pictures, stories and activities based on the readings of the days, are available weekly at Mass.