Welcome To Parish School Religious (PSR) Education 2022-2023

CCC 2225 Through the grace of the sacrament of marriage, parents receive the responsibility and privilege of *evangelizing their children*. Parents should initiate their children at an early age into the mysteries of the faith of which they are the "first heralds" for their children. They should associate them from their tenderest years with the life of the Church. A wholesome family life can foster interior dispositions that are a genuine preparation for a living faith and remain a support for it throughout one's life.

Welcome to the 2022-2023 Parish School of Religious Education program (PSR)! This year we will be offering classes for 1st, 3rd through 6th grade. We have classes for those in 2nd grade seeking the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Junior High School students in 7th and 8th grade will be prepared for the sacrament of Confirmation. Please note that the Confirmation preparation is a <u>2-year</u> program.

<u>Parents</u> – As Catholics entrusted with the blessing of children, you have been granted the responsibility to carry out God's command to spread the Good News both in your homes and throughout the world. By enrolling your child(ren) in PSR, in cooperation with the Church and our dedicated volunteer teachers, your child(ren) will be given tools to advance and follow God's evangelical message.

In PSR, our religious instruction strives to form children who will become life long devoted Catholics, confident Our Lord is always a constant presence in their lives. With this religious opportunity, they will become enthusiastic Catholics, enthusiastic as they grow from children to adults, secure in the knowledge of the saving grace of their personal Catholicism.

<u>Students</u> – Our instructors promise classes that are faith-filled, fun-filled and a weekly celebration of community through the teachings of our Lord, Jesus Christ!

It is expected that students and parents attend Mass each weekend as part of our Catholic obligation. This is where we can come together as a community to share our beliefs and become followers of Christ we are called to be by our Baptism. It is a fantastic way to "teach without words!"

IMPORTANT! Absences of more than 3 (three) classes could prevent the student from advancing to the next grade level. Therefore, class attendance must be a weekly priority. Please notify the teacher when your child(ren) is/are unable to be present at class.

Classes will be held Sunday mornings after Mass at Sacred Heart and before Mass at St. Joseph's. Please see the attached schedule for dates/ times and location.

Please register no later than Sunday, August 14th. Registration forms are available at the back of church or at either Parish office or accessed via the Parish website. Cost is \$25.00 per student. For questions or concerns, please call Father Jeff (419) 683-2015 or Peggy Pauley (419) 565-9248 by phone or text.

I, ______ have read and agree with the above guidelines for the 2022-2023 Sacred Heart/ St. Joseph Parish School of Religious Education Program.

Parent Signature: ______

Date: _____