

Saint Philip Neri Religious Education Program
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Dear Family,

At St. Philip Neri PREP, we are committed to the religious education of our children as taught by Jesus Christ. Our goal is to assist you as your child's first teacher, to nourish the faith already instilled through baptism, family life, and most importantly, the Sunday Mass.

We offer several options for our PREP Families:

Students in Levels 1-6 may register for classes on the day of their choice: Monday or Tuesday afternoons, 4:15-5:30 PM.

Confirmation PREP is held on scheduled Sundays, October-May, 10:30-11:45 AM.

Kindergarten PREP is also held on scheduled Sundays, October-March during the 9:30 AM Mass.

Homeschooling is available for students in Levels 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6. PLEASE NOTE: **Students in sacramental preparation must attend in-person sessions.** Families must be attending Sunday Mass weekly to be approved. Please make an appointment with the DRE if you would like approval to Homeschool your child.

A copy of your child's baptismal certificate will be required to complete registration for new students. If your child was baptized at SPN, we can look that up internally. If your child is entering St. Philip Neri PREP from another religious education program, please provide a copy of the permanent record card in addition to the baptismal certificate. Fees for PREP are \$250 for one child and \$325 for two or more children. Busing from Ridge Park, Whitmarsh, and Colonial Elementary Schools is provided at \$75/family. Sacrament fees are \$100/child for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Payment may be made online through Abundant or by check. Checks should be payable to Saint Philip Neri Church and mailed or dropped to SPN at 437 Ridge Pike, Lafayette Hill, PA 19444. **Please note: Choice of days and busing will be closed when spaces fill. Spaces cannot be reserved without payment.**

We always need volunteers to teach and assist in various areas, especially as catechists and aides for all grades/levels. No experience is necessary; we provide instruction and support. Parents or grandparents who volunteer full time in the classroom qualify to have PREP fees waived. If you're interested in volunteering in the classroom, as a recess or snack aide, or need more information, please contact me as soon as possible to prepare for September.

I thank those who have given generously of their time, talent, and resources. Parents are their children's first teachers and we are honored to assist you in raising your children in our Catholic faith.

Your friend in Christ,
Sharon Otto
Director of Religious Education