

St. Philip Neri PREP Homeschooling Contract
2025-2026

Family Name: _____

Child(ren)'s Name(s) and Religious Education Level(s): _____

We agree to the following responsibilities as part of St. Philip Neri Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) and in accordance with the Guidelines for Home-Based Catechesis of Children from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia:

- ☐ We understand that home-based catechesis follows Archdiocesan Guidelines and is not available for Sacramental preparation.
- ☐ We have approval from the Pastor and/or DRE to homeschool our own child(ren).
- ☐ We will attend the mandatory Homeschool Parent Meeting on Sunday, September 21 at 10:30 AM.
- ☐ We have enrolled in PREP and paid all applicable fees.
- ☐ We will attend Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation regularly with our family.
- ☐ We will use the required textbook series: Loyola Press "Christ Our Life: Families in Mission Edition" (2024).
- ☐ We will meet regularly with the DRE to discuss progress and ask questions.
- ☐ We will submit either:
 - ☐ Chapter quizzes and unit tests,
 - OR
 - ☐ Interactive Chapter Reviews (via QR code or Google Classroom links).
- ☐ Our child(ren) will participate in Parish Prayer Services, Confession, and scheduled Family Masses when possible.
- ☐ We will cooperate with assessments, including Archdiocesan midterms and finals, to verify catechetical progress.
- ☐ As the primary catechist, I will pursue Catechetical Certification and ongoing faith formation. Go to <https://digitallibrary.loyolapress.com/> and enter this Access Code: CFSPHILHOME Select Learning Sessions 1-10, and begin with Session 1. Forward the Statement of Completion to SharonOtto@spnprep.org for each session.
- ☐ We understand that not meeting these expectations may result in our child(ren) needing to repeat the level or attend in-person PREP.
- ☐ If we encounter difficulty fulfilling these requirements, we will contact the Pastor promptly to explore solutions.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

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Approved by (Pastor or DRE): _____ Date: _____

In addition to Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation, parents agree to participate in Family Masses and Parish Prayer Services as applicable.

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Event and Time</u> |
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| September 21 | Informational Meeting and Textbook pickup up 10:30 AM in the school cafeteria |
| October 5 | Level 6 Family Mass at 9:30 AM |
| October 5-7 | 40 Hours Devotion at 7 PM in the Church |
| October 27 or 28 | 4:30 PM All Saints Prayer Service and PBJ collection |
| November 1 | 5 PM All Souls' Mass of Remembrance, Level 6 can assist |
| November 9 | Level 5 Family Mass at 9:30 AM |
| November 17 or 18 | 4:30 PM Thanksgiving Prayer Service, food collection, and assembly in the school cafeteria |
| December 6 | Breakfast with Santa |
| December 7 | Children's Advent Celebration and Toy Drive 7 PM in the Church followed by social in the school hall |
| December 11 | Parish Confessions at 7PM; Level 3 and above attend |
| December 14 | Level 4 Family Mass at 9:30 AM |
| December 15 or 16 | PREP Advent Mass at 4:30 and Baby Collection |
| January 19 | MLK Day of Service 8:30 AM-2PM |
| February 1 | Level 3 Family Mass at 9:30 AM |
| February 18 | Ash Wednesday at 6:30 AM, 8:30 AM, 12 PM and 7 PM |
| February 22 | Grade 8 Family Mass at 9:30 AM |
| Lent | Fridays– 7 PM Stations of the Cross |
| March 1 | Level 1 Family Mass at 9:30 AM |
| March 15 | K Family Mass at 9:30 AM |
| March 23 or 24 | PREP Lenten Mass and canned food collection at 4:30 |
| March 25 | Parish Confessions at 7 PM; Levels 2 and above attend |
| March 28 | Women's Guild Easter Egg Hunt at Noon |
| April 2 | Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7PM |
| April 3 | Morning and Noon Prayer, Good Friday Liturgy, Tenebrae |
| April 4 | Morning Prayer and Blessing of the Easter Food; |
| April 26 | Pre-K Family Mass at 9:30 AM |
| May 5 or 6 | PREP Closing Mass at 4:30 PM (Choose one!) |