

St. Raphael-Holy Angels Faith Formation

Sharing Truth, Love and Family



REGISTRATION INFORMATION

2021-2022

July 2021

Dear Parents,

We joyously welcome your family to our Parish Faith Formation Program. According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, parents are the primary educators of their children. Parents have the greatest impact and influence on their child's spiritual journey. Our mission in the Office of Faith Formation is to support you in passing the Catholic Faith on to your child. Through our combined efforts, we will endeavor to create an environment that will lead your child to an encounter with Christ and open your child to the grace of the Holy Spirit. It is our hope that our program will help your child become a true disciple of the Lord.

We have two options for Faith Formation classes. The first are the ***Traditional In-Person classes*** that will be offered throughout the school year. The second is our **Online Home Study program**, which is an alternative to traditional classes. (Online homeschooling students are required to attend 4 spiritual events with their parents throughout the year. The student can choose from a list of events. Examples would be: attending Mass and the Christmas tree lighting, attending a family rosary, attending Mass on Ash Wednesday, or going to the Stations of the Cross. A full list of events and dates will be sent out once the church calendar is complete.)

NEW STUDENT INFORMATION

New registrations must be accompanied by a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate. If you do not have one on hand, please obtain one from the Parish where your child was baptized. *If your child attended religious education classes at another parish, please request from them a Certificate of Transfer indicating dates of attendance, last grade completed, and the dates and location of any Sacraments received.*

*It is our policy that all families with children participating in the Faith Formation Program be **registered members** of Saint Raphael-Holy Angels Parish. Please ask for a Parish Registration Form if you are not currently a member.*

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR ALL STUDENTS PREPARING FOR A SACRAMENT DURING THE 2021-2022 YEAR (2nd & 8th Grade Faith Formation Students)

Regardless of the program chosen (Traditional Classes or Online Home Study), students preparing for a sacrament and their parents will be expected to attend Family Sunday Gatherings during the school year.

The times (the dates are yet to be determined) for the Family Sunday Gatherings for Sacramental Students and parents will be as follows:

2nd Grade Family Sunday Gatherings will begin with 9:30 AM Mass at Saint Raphael Church and end at 12:00 PM.

8th Grade Family Sunday Gatherings will begin with 11:30 AM Mass at Saint Raphael Church and end at 2:00PM.

CLASSES OFFERED

Traditional Program: Wednesdays (September 15 - April 27) for Grades 1-8 from 6:15 PM to 7:30 PM (time may shift by 15 minutes depending on the need to stagger drop-off and pick-up times)

Online Home Study: Grades 1-8 (will be available July 7th. The student must begin their course by September 15. There will be check points along the way and all classes must be completed by April 27, 2022.

REGISTRATION FEES

Grades: 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7	\$150 per student
Grades: 2 and 8	\$185 per student (this includes all Sacramental fees)

RETURNING REGISTRATION FORMS

Please complete and return the Registration Form by August 11.

Completed Registration forms should be returned to the Faith Formation office. For your convenience, we do have a secure mailbox, # 3472 located just outside the entrance doors of the Faith Formation office located in the Spiritual Center Registration paperwork can be dropped into this box at any time, as it is checked daily.

If you prefer to mail the paperwork, please address to:
 St. Raphael-Holy Angels Parish – Faith Formation
 3500 South Broad St.
 Hamilton, N.J. 08610
 Attn: Faith Formation office

We are so excited to be embarking on new adventures in Faith Formation! We understand that there may be questions or concerns as we prepare for these new efforts to share the Faith. Please feel free to contact our office if we can help in any way. May God bless you!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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