

PROGRAM OVERVIEW FOR YOUR RECORDS



Welcome!

Thank you for your interest in Faith Formation at St. Dominic's Catholic Church! We join parents in providing religious education, sacramental preparation, and spiritual formation for families with children and youth. Our primary goal is to help families develop a relationship with God that will support, sustain, challenge, and nourish them throughout their entire lives. The program consists of weekly class sessions, seasonal celebrations, family gatherings, and service activities. Regular attendance and adult participation is integral to the program's success.

Classes

The program begins with Family Orientation in the Parish Hall on **Sunday, September 19, 2010, at 10:30 a.m.** Classes will continue to meet most Sundays mornings through May in the Megan Furth Academy school building and modular classrooms. Some classes may be combined based on the number of catechists and students. Children in non-sacramental preparation classes may join at any point. Parent Formation & Fellowship will occur in the Siena Room or Megan Furth Academy basement during the children's classes. Junior High and Senior High youth groups will meet on rotating weeks. Please see the calendar.

Class Levels are as follows:

Sunday Mornings, 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. (immediately following the 9:30 a.m. Family Mass)

- Pre-K & Kindergarten Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (*Child must be 3 by Sept. 19, 2010*)
- Grade 1
- Grade 2 (*Includes First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion*)
- Grades 3, 4, 5, and 6.
- RCIA adapted for Children/Teens (*For ages 7 and older who haven't received Baptism, or ages 9 and older who haven't received First Communion.*)

Sunday Mornings, 10:30am-11:30am; and Sunday Afternoons, 4-5:30pm (see calendar for rotation)

- Grade 7-8 (*Confirmation and Junior High Youth Group. Confirmation is a two-year program.*)

Sunday Evenings

- Grades 9-12 (*Senior High Youth Group—sign up separately. Forms are at parish office or on website.*)

Family Masses and Gatherings

Families are highly encouraged to attend the 9:30 am Family Mass on Sundays, and process with catechists to their classrooms after Communion. We will have seasonal family gatherings in lieu of classes.

Sacramental Preparation

Families with children in the program preparing for Baptism, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation must interview with the Director or Religious Education or catechist and attend additional sessions together before celebrating the sacrament. The deadline for joining a sacramental preparation class is October 10, 2010.

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW (*Continued*)

****Register by Wednesday, September 8!** This will give me time to input the data and prepare materials for our classes in a timely manner. Registration includes submitting:

- __ completed information sheet
- __ parental permission & involvement form
- __ medical emergency authorization
- __ tuition payment.

Tuition, Fees, and Deadline

Tuition helps us recover the costs of our growing program, which include textbooks, materials, and facilities usage. The fee has increased marginally over last year, and there are continued discounts for multiple children. There is an additional \$40 sacramental fee for each student participating in sacramental preparation. In order to help us cover the actual costs of the program per child, which is higher than tuition, and to help us provide scholarships to our needy families, there is an opportunity to make an extra donation. This "Agape Gift" will be much appreciated and will be credited to your giving statement at the end of the year.

Tuition

1 child per family	\$110	\$
2 children per family	\$175	\$
3 or more children per family	\$220	\$
Sacramental fee/s per child (<i>Baptism, 1st Communion, or 2nd year Confirmation</i>)	\$40	\$
Additional donation	Agape Gift	\$
Total	=	\$

No child will be turned away because of financial need. Please contact me to inquire about scholarships and other ways to contribute. Registration will not be processed without payment or an approved payment schedule.

Again, register by September 8. If you wish to register after that date, contact me. All registration forms MUST be turned in for each child before they attend FCFF.

May Jesus grow draw us close, teach us his Truth and Love, and help our families grow closer to Him this upcoming year. We look forward to sharing this journey with you! Don't hesitate to contact me, or look through our FCFF Handbook (available online at www.stdominics.org/formation) if you seek more information.

In Christ,

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Please separate this page from the attached registration forms.
Keep this page for your records and return the registration forms to St. Dominic's Church, to the Attention: "FCFF Registration."



INFORMATION SHEET

STUDENT (One form per student, filled out each year. Register by SEPT. 8, 2010).

First name: _____ Last name: _____
 Gender (circle one): male female
 Date of birth: _____ Age as of 9/19/10 _____ Language(s) spoken: _____
 School: _____
 School: Catholic Private Public Other _____
 School Grade (Fall 2010): _____ FCFF Grade last year (if applicable) _____
 Siblings: Name _____ Birthdate _____ Name _____ Birthdate _____

FAMILY (PARENTS/GUARDIANS) Is your family registered at St. Dominic's? Yes No

First name: _____ Last name: _____
 Home address: _____
 Mailing address: _____
 Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____
 Work phone: _____ Email: _____
 Marital status: _____ Relationship to student: _____
 Occupation: _____ Employed by: _____
 Religion: _____ Language(s) spoken: _____

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Mother's Full (Maiden) Name: _____

Information and materials for parents/guardians should be in: (circle one) English / Spanish

SACRAMENTS ALREADY RECEIVED BY CHILD: Date/Church/City/State

Baptism Yes No _____
 First Reconciliation Yes No _____
 First Communion Yes No _____
 Confirmation Yes No _____

PREVIOUS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COMPLETED—Circle grades attended:

P-3 P-4 K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

*Would you like the student to prepare for First Reconciliation/Communion? _____

*Would you like the student to prepare for Confirmation? _____

*Would you like the student to prepare for Baptism? _____

If yes, please attach a copy of his/her birth certificate.

____ Please attach a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate to this form. *If your child was baptized at St. Dominic's, please indicate the date above.*

____ Please attach payment to this form. See cover page for details.

____ Sign updated Parental Permission/Involvement & Medical Emergency forms (for new & returning children)

OFFICE USE ONLY: Date received: _____ Initials: _____ Payment received: _____ Check#/Cash: _____ Initials: _____

PARENTAL PERMISSION FORM

ACTIVITY: *St. Dominic's Church Family and Children's Faith Formation Program*

Child's Name: _____

I, the parent or guardian of the above named child, hereby, give my permission for her/his participation in the activity named above. I agree to direct my child to cooperate and conform with the directions and instructions of the St. Dominic's Church FCFF parish personnel responsible for the activity.

I agree to the extent permitted by law, that in the event my child is injured as a result of her/his participation in the above named activity, including but not limited to transportation to and from the activity, whether or not caused by the negligence (active or passive) of the parish/school or Archdiocesan youth activities program, or any of its agents or employees, recourse for the payment of any resulting hospital, medical or related costs and expenses will first be had against any accident, hospital or medical insurance, or any available benefit plan of mine or of my spouse.

I am not aware of any medical condition of my child which would render it inappropriate for her/him to participate in any such activity.

I, hereby, give permission to the physician selected by the youth activities supervisory personnel then present to render medical treatment deemed necessary and appropriate by the physician.

PLEASE LIST TWO PERSONS, OTHER THAN PARENTS, WHO ARE AUTHORIZED TO PICK UP YOUR CHILD FROM CLASS OR IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY. (NOTE: YOUR CHILD WILL ONLY BE RELEASED TO SOMEONE WHOSE NAME APPEARS ON THIS LIST).

BOTH LINES ARE REQUIRED:

Name _____ Phone _____ Relationship _____

Name _____ Phone _____ Relationship _____

X

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

Date

PARENT INVOLVEMENT FORM

FCFF will only thrive with adult participation. Please reflect upon your own skills and abilities and let us know the area or activity below in which you would prefer to assist during the 2010/2011 year. All families are asked to volunteer in some capacity to support the program and parish.

- Preschool Teacher/Helper
- Preschool Substitute Teacher
- Teaching Grs 1-4
- Substitute Teaching Grs 1-4
- Teaching Grs 5-8
- Substitute Teaching Grs 5-8
- Children's Choir leader/assistant
- Spanish translator
- Moms group
- Dads group
- Treats/drinks for children's classes
- Door Guard during children's classes
- Traffic and Safety supervision in parking lot
- Parent Advisory Group to assist DRE
- Office volunteer (mailings, organizing, phoning)
- Presenter or small group facilitator w/ parents
- Coffee/Food/Hospitality after 9:30 am Mass
- FCFF Picnic or Family Service Days
- Adopt-a-Catechist to support them with prayer and cards
- Helping with Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 9:30 a.m. Mass
- Help with seasonal Family Gatherings and Receptions—Advent, Lent, First Communion, Confirmation

Other _____

