

**St. John Chrysostom Church
4750 Washington Street
West Roxbury, MA 02132**

August, 2008

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are happy to have you and your child in the Religious Education program at St. John's. As parents who have chosen to have your child welcomed to the Catholic Church at Baptism, you promised to provide for their Religious Education and formation. We wish to support and work with you as you live out this promise. By working together we hope to offer your child a happy and positive experience of Church and of Religious Education.

Registration for Grades Three and Four will be on Sunday, September 16th. You will be asked to complete a registration form for your child, if he/she is new to our program, and to submit the \$55.00 fee, which covers the cost of the textbook and supplies. **Classes begin on the following Sunday, September 23rd at 10 a.m.** We ask that your child attend the 9:00 a.m. Family Mass this and every Sunday. **We request your cooperation in ensuring your child arrives to class punctually, and is picked up at 10:55 a.m.**

We will be using Sadlier's We Believe series. These books encourage activities that are designed to help you "study along" with your child, and they offer specific suggestions for prayers and other activities to help faith come alive at home.

In Grade Three, your child explores the life of the Church, not only the universal Church, but also the Church as it reaches out to your family through our parish. Throughout this year, as your child learns, please take the opportunity to reflect on the enduring structures, events and celebrations that nourish and support us all.

In Grade Four, your son or daughter will examine the foundations of Christian morality. The Law of Love, the Beatitudes, the Works of Mercy, and the Ten Commandments combine to support your fourth grader's faith and to help him/her live and love better.

Attached is a schedule of classes for this year. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call or to speak with any one of us in person. We look forward to working with you and your child.

Sincerely,



Mrs. Marie Sullivan
Elementary Religious Education Coordinator

GRADES 1, 3-6

SEPTEMBER

7-Registration
14-Opening Class Grades 2-6
21- Class, Mass Grades 3 & 4
28-Class, Grade 1 begins

OCTOBER

5- Class
12-No Class-Columbus Day
19-Class
26-Class, Mass Grades 5&6

NOVEMBER

2-Class
9-No Class-Veteran's Day
16-Class, Mass Grades 1 & 2
23- Class
30-No Class-Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

7-Class
14-Class, Mass Grades 5&6
21-Class, Mass Grade 1 & 2
28- No Class-Christmas

JANUARY

4- Class
11-Class Mass Grades 3 & 4
18-No Class-Martin Luther King Day
25-Class

FEBRUARY

1-Class, Mass Grade 5 & 6
8-Class, Mass Grades 1 & 2
15-No Class-President's Day
22 -Class

MARCH

1-Class
8-Class
15-Class, Grade 4 Parent Meeting
21-First Penance
22-Class
29-Class

APRIL

5- Last Class,
Mass Grades 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6

GRADE 2 First Eucharist

SEPTEMBER

7-Registration
14-Opening Class
21- Class
28-Class Parent Meeting

OCTOBER

5- Mass
12-No Class-Columbus Day
19-Class
26-Class

NOVEMBER

2-Class
9-No Class-Veteran's Day
16-Mass
23- Class
30-No Class-Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

7-Class
14-Class
21-Mass
28-No Class-Christmas

JANUARY

4-Class
11-Class
18-No Class-Martin Luther King Day
25-Class

FEBRUARY

1- Movie, Parent Meeting
8-Mass
15-No Class-President's Day
22-Class

MARCH

1- Class
8-Class
15- Class Parent Meeting
21- Parochial School Penance
22- Class
29-Class

APRIL

5- Mass
12-No Class-Easter
19- No Class April Vacation
26-Egg Coloring/Class Parts
30- Practice 3:30 PM

MAY

1-Practice 3:30 PM
2-First Communion Day
3- May Procession 9:00 Mass

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