



ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

St. Teresa of Calcutta said, "Keep the joy of loving God in your heart and share this joy with all you meet, especially your family." As conscientious parents, you are serious about your child growing strong in his or her love of God and in the Catholic faith. I want to thank you for allowing us in St. Anastasia's Religious Education program to partner with you in this endeavor.

I am privileged to support you in sharing the love of God with your child and in his or her faith formation. There are many ways in which you continuously form your child's faith. This is done on a daily basis, through your actions and interactions with others. The National Directory for Catechesis states, "... the Church promises to help parents foster their children's faith..." (235). Supporting and adhering to these words is the goal of the formation programs and events offered at St. Anastasia Parish. Understanding our Catholic faith, its history, sacraments, liturgy... is foundation for growing in the faith and living and sharing the love of God.

One of the programs that we offer children to grow in the faith and assist you, as the parent, is the Wednesday evening Parish Religious Education Program [PREP] for children Kindergarten through the 8th grade. Enclosed is the class schedule along with a registration form for the 2017-2018 calendar year.

In order to prepare for the upcoming classes, I ask that you complete the enclosed registration form and return it to the Parish office. Please be sure to:

1. *Complete both sides* of the registration form.
2. *Sign and date* where indicated on both sides of the form. Your signature confirms the information provided.
3. *Return completed form along with registration fee*, as noted on the registration form, to the Parish office or mail to the address below.

As we experience the joy of loving God and share it with our young people today, we spread the Gospel to the ends of the earth. I look forward to working with you and your family in spreading this joy.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Denise Pressley

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