

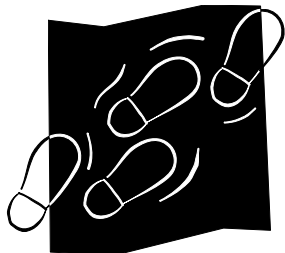


Parents are important!

Our church teaches that parents are the first and best catechists. Our Catholic faith is passed on to us by our parents and an integral part of this faith is service. It is through our example that our children learn about Jesus, develop morals & values and compassion for others.

In order for the Children's Ministry program to be successful, parent involvement and volunteer service is crucial. Please read through the opportunities listed to discover where your gifts & talents can be shared.

Walk with your children through their faith formation experience.




Be a role model of service for your children and our parish community.

Special Needs Buddies

- Meets every Sunday during the 9 am Mass
- Assists Special Needs catechists and share your faith with the children

Volunteer Requirements:

- Completion of Criminal Background Check & viewing of Archdiocesan Sexual Misconduct Video
- Attend training sessions scheduled by Special Needs catechists
- Able to assist at least twice a month during the 9 am Mass



If you are interested in volunteering for any of these committees or have other gifts and talents you'd like to offer, please contact:

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St. Mark the Evangelist




Children's Ministry Volunteer Opportunities



Faith Formation for children age 3 thru grade 5

2006-2007



Parent Volunteer Opportunities

Classroom Decorating Committee

- Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month
- Plans decorations for classrooms on a monthly religious theme
- Designs and creates decorations for themes
- Sets up each classroom for the month
- Decorates hall bulletin boards (5)

Volunteer Requirements:

- Completion of Criminal Background Check & viewing of Archdiocesan Sexual Misconduct Video
- Attendance at monthly meeting
- Able to complete projects at home
- Able to work decorating classrooms for 1-2 hrs per month

Themes:

September: The Trinity

October: The Rosary

November: All Saints

December: Advent

January: The Seven Sacraments

February: The Commandments & The Beatitudes

March: Lent & Corporal & Spiritual Works of Mercy

April: Easter

May: Mary

At Home Support Committee

- Meet with coordinator in September, November, January, & March
- Help preparing materials **at home** for Children's Ministry sessions, sacrament workshops, special events

Volunteer Requirements:

- Completion of Criminal Background Check & viewing of Archdiocesan Sexual Misconduct Video
- Attendance at scheduled meetings
- Able to complete variety of projects at home
 - > Campbell's Soup Labels
 - > Cut, collate, staple worksheets & hand-outs
 - > Prepare craft projects for workshops

Children's Ministry Service Committee

- Meets 3rd Tuesday of each month
- Plans & organizes service projects (2 per year)
- Plans & organizes family/community activities (3 per year)

Volunteer Requirements:

- Completion of Criminal Background Check & viewing of Archdiocesan Sexual Misconduct Video
- Attendance at monthly meeting
- Able to complete projects at home
- Attendance at & support of events
- Publicity, getting community involved

Service Projects

1. Fall Semester: Birthright
2. Winter Semester: St. PJ's -Easter Baskets

Family / Community Activities

1. Fall: Living Rosary
2. Lent: Children's Stations of the Cross
3. Spring: May Crowning

Sacramental Preparation Committee

- Meet with coordinator before each workshop
- Help with Saturday workshops as:
 - kitchen crew, set-up, check-in, clean-up

Volunteer Requirements:

- Completion of Criminal Background Check & viewing of Archdiocesan Sexual Misconduct Video
- Attendance at scheduled meetings
- Able to help with at least 3 workshops during the year

First Reconciliation Workshops

Saturday, August 26	7:30 am—1 pm
Saturday, September 23	7:30 am—1 pm
Saturday, November 11	8 am—2 pm

First Eucharist Workshops

Saturday, January 13	7 am—2 pm
Saturday, January 27	7 am—2 pm
Saturday, February 24	9 am—12 noon
Saturday, March 24	9 am—12 noon
Saturday, April 21	9 am—12 noon

Week Day Office Help

- Meet with coordinator in August, September & as needed
- Run copy machine
- Prepare catechist materials for Children's Ministry Sessions (EFF, Pre-School, Special Needs)

Volunteer Requirements:

- Completion of Criminal Background Check & viewing of Archdiocesan Sexual Misconduct Video
- Attendance at scheduled meetings
- Ability to volunteer 1—2 hrs weekly in Faith Formation Office (you choose days/times from schedule below)
- Attention to details regarding copy making, preparing catechist materials

Volunteer time slots:

Monday	10 am—12 noon, 2 pm—4 pm
Tuesday	9 am—5 pm
Wednesday	9 am—12 noon
Thursday	9 am—3 pm

Times may be available during the early evening from 5—7 pm on 2nd & 4th Mondays.

PSM & EFF Session Room Parents

- Meet with coordinator in August, September, & January
- Organize snack sharing list
- Contact parents for catechist regarding snacks or special events
- Help with any special projects catechist may be doing

Volunteer Requirements:

- Completion of Criminal Background Check & viewing of Archdiocesan Sexual Misconduct Video
- Attendance at scheduled meetings
- Able to coordinate with catechist
- Willingness to keep an up to date phone tree or email list to contact parents