

St. Joseph's ~ St. Paul's Faith Formation 2021-2022

Medical Consent and Release

Please fill out **ONE** form for **EACH** child

I, _____, the parent or legal guardian of _____, authorize the employees, representatives, and chaperones of St. Joseph's Church ~ St. Paul's Mission to obtain emergency medical treatment, should it be necessary, during my child's attendance and participation in Faith Formation Program for the 2021– 2022 year.

Child's Physician's name & phone number: _____.

Child's Dentist's name & phone number: _____.

Allergies or other medical conditions: _____.

I understand that I will be notified immediately at the numbers listed below should it become necessary to obtain emergency treatment.

Parent's/Guardian's Name	Home #	
	Cell #	
Parent's/Guardian's Name	Home #	
	Cell #	

In case of an emergency and a *parent/guardian cannot be reached*, contact:

Name	Relation:	
	Phone #	
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	Phone #	

I consent and give permission for my child's participation in St. Joseph's ~ St. Paul's Faith Formation. I hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, waive and release any and all claims for damages I may have against St. Joseph's Church ~ St. Paul's Mission, The Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany, New York, their representatives, chaperones, employees, successors and assigns arising out of any and all injuries by my child while in participation in this program.

Parent or Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Witness Signature _____ Date _____

Release from Sessions

I authorize the following people to pick up this child from Faith Formation sessions at St. Joseph's Church ~ St. Paul's Mission. Children will not be allowed to go home with anyone other than a parent/guardian without written permission. Please plan accordingly.

Name	Phone #	Relation to child
1.		
2.		
3.		

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Permission for Photographs/ Videotapes/Films

Please print and fill out ONE form for EACH child

I hereby authorize and give my consent for the taking of pictures (moving or still) of my child,

_____, and further give my permission for their reproduction for:

1. Teaching purposes
2. News release
3. Publication
4. Community awareness programs

Date

Parent/Guardian signature

This space may be used to state any restrictions you may have on the above.

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A Safe Environment for Everyone

*Please print and fill out **ONE** form for **EACH** child*

Students' Name: _____.

Our Catholic tradition has always affirmed the dignity of the human person as created in the image and likeness of God. Every person with whom we come in contact deserves to be seen by us with the eyes of God. We know that ministry with children and youth, in particular, is a sacred trust. We, at St. Joseph's Church ~ St. Paul's Mission, are committed to preserve, at all times and in all places, this sacred trust which is rooted in our faith in Jesus Christ.

Since June of 2002 the Diocese of Albany has faithfully followed and implemented the guidance of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. The past 18 years have provided both many challenges and positive innovations as we continue to ensure that all of our ministries and programs focused on children and youth and the vulnerable are safe.

For the past year in collaboration with the Office of Lay Ministry and Parish Faith Formation, and the Catholic Schools Office, and our diocesan curriculum task force, we have been exploring new and updated options for children and youth training. Based on that research we have decided to adopt the Circle of Grace Safe Environment Program for all parishes and school's grades k-12. This program can be adopted easily into existing catechetical programs, is faith based, and provides multiple options for each grade level. Included in the program are multiple resources for parents and families. The resources and materials are free to our parishes and schools. This program is diocesan-wide and replaces all existing Safe Environment training for children and youth.

Training for our children and youth will take place during class time on
Sunday, October 17, 2021

If for some reason you wish to opt your child out of this training, you will be required to send a letter stating your intentions to the Parish Office by October 15, 2021.

Please be aware that we will provide an alternative activity during that portion of the session for those students who are opted out. Students who are opted out will be placed in a separate room to watch a video or do an activity.

The material that will be presented to the students is available for your review. Please contact Joe Varone to view the material or if you have questions or concerns.

I have read the above notice of Safe Environment Training for St. Joseph's ~ St. Paul's students in Kindergarten through 9th grades.

I will notify the parish in writing by October 15, 2021 if I wish to opt my child out of this training.

Parent/Guardian's signature: _____ **Date** _____.



St. Joseph's & St. Paul's Parish Kth-9th Grade 2021/2022 Faith Formation Schedule

September 19	Catechetical Sunday – No Class
October 3	Class #1
October 17	Class #2
November 7	Class #3
November 21	Class #4
December 5	Class #5
December 19	Class #6
January 9	Class #7
January 23	Class #8
February 6	Class #9
February 27	Class #10
March 13	Class #11
March 27	Class #12
April 10	Class #13
April 24	Class #14

K-6th grades will meet twice a month on Sunday mornings from 9:15 am-10:15 pm at St. Joseph's.
7th-9th grades will meet twice a month on Sunday evenings from 7:00-7:45 pm at St. Joseph's

First Reconciliation & First Eucharist preparations are held during the 2nd grade class.

Confirmation sessions will be scheduled once all registrations are in.

For the safety of all students and catechists, our Programs will ensure that in-person sessions abide by all Albany Diocese and NYS COVID-19 guidelines and restrictions. Thank you for your patience as we adjust throughout the year due to COVID-19.

If you are not comfortable at this time with in-person classes, or have any other questions, please contact Joe or Lida Varone. 518-583-1348; jvarone@earthlink.net

Please stay home if you are sick or have been in contact with any positive cases

Please respect each other and observe social distancing guidelines/directions

Please respect each other and wear face coverings to and from classes as required