

**Purpose:** Our Parish School of Religion exists to support parents by providing Religious Education classes, providing a formal learning situation, and by offering opportunities for peer and community expressions of faith. Parents, by their example and guidance, are the primary religious educators of their children. The Church is committed to the religious education of its young people. In order to accomplish this for students who do not attend parochial school, parishes provide classes for school-aged children of the parish.

Two consecutive years of PSR are required to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade is a combined class for this purpose. 7<sup>th</sup> graders who complete the PSR school year will enter the Confirmation Class in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. 8<sup>th</sup> graders who were not in PSR during 7<sup>th</sup> grade will complete the combined Grade 7/8 and will enter the Confirmation Class in 9<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Activities:** Classes are held on Sunday evenings from 6:15-7:30pm. Volunteers are needed as catechists, classroom aides, and room parents. Catechists receive Religious Education Certification training classes free of charge.

For more information, click on the Parish School of Religion link on the left toolbar.

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