

**St. Brendan Parish
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Dear Parents,

It seems like summer has only just begun so it is hard to believe that we are writing to you with information about the 2012-2013 Parish School of Religion (PSR)! The 2012-2013 PSR schedule is enclosed with this letter.

While our parish website is currently under construction we have had to adjust how our PSR Registration Forms are made available to you. Currently all of the PSR Registration Forms and Handbook are available on the table in the back of Church and in the Religious Education Office (REO); we will alert you via postcard when they are available on the website. To register, complete the following:

- The 2012-2013 PSR Registration Form (one per FAMILY; *please note this Form is double-sided*).
- The Emergency Medical Form (one for each STUDENT; Forms must be complete and on file for students to attend class).

Be sure to familiarize your entire family with the PSR Handbook as all agree to follow the policies and procedures in the Handbook when registering. We appreciate your help in “going green” – please provide a valid email address on your Registration Form. We email families each week with important announcements. Thank you for your assistance!

It is important to return all registration forms as soon as possible—please return your Registration Forms by August 31st so we can prepare for the start of classes. If you are registering a first grader or a new student, a photocopy of their Baptismal Certificate (if they were not baptized at St. Brendan) needs to be included with your Registration Forms. Any new students who have attended PSR at another parish need to have a copy of their past PSR record on file; include this with the Registration Forms.

The fee for PSR is \$75 per child with a maximum of \$225 per family. You may include payment with the Registration Forms; however this is not required to secure PSR registration. Indicate on the Registration Form your choice of billing option. Please note: the PSR fee should never be a deterrent for religious education for our parish families. Some scholarship money is available; contact Mary Madden for more information.

PSR classes begin September 9th and 10th with our Opening Meeting and Open House. **All students and parents must attend on the day your family registered for:** at 11:05am on Sunday, September 9th or at 7pm on Monday, September 10th. Students and parents will have the opportunity to meet the teachers, visit the classrooms, and meet with the REO staff to answer any questions.

Registration Forms and payments can be returned in several ways: drop off in the REO (located in St. Brendan School) or the Parish Office; place in an envelope marked “REO” and drop in the collection basket at weekend masses; or mail to the address listed above.

If you are new to St. Brendan or are not yet registered in the parish, you should register soon! Contact us at any time to set up a parish registration meeting.

We ask for your help in making sure all of the PSR students are safe and supervised. If you can assist as a teacher, classroom aide, hallway monitor, or substitute teacher, please indicate this on the Registration Form and we will contact you. We are currently in need of a 7th grade teacher on Sundays and a second 6th grade teacher on Mondays. We depend on you, the parents, to help the parish in this important ministry!

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact us in the REO. Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to seeing your family on September 9th and 10th! We hope the coming year enables your child/children to deepen their relationship with God!

Sincerely,

Mary Madden
Director of Religious Education
enclosed

Patty Quinn
Religious Education Office Secretary