

# *Saint Agnes Catholic Community*



September 2019

Dear Saint Agnes Families,

Welcome back to another year of faith formation. I hope that your summer was blessed with restful and enjoyable time with family and friends.

**Grades K-8** begins classes the week of **9/29** with an Opening Mass at 10 a.m. Teachers will bring students directly to their classrooms following Mass. Parents are asked to remain behind for a brief meeting. Those not registered by opening day will be asked to begin classes the following week.

**Monday** classes for grades K through 8 will begin September 30. Bus forms must be in the week prior to class to safely insure the bus company and school has the proper information. No classes if no school. Also, if after school activities are canceled due to weather conditions, we will also cancel classes.

Watch the calendar as each grade hosts our 10 a.m. **Family Mass** beginning with *Grade 3 and 4* on 10/6. Students can sign up to be readers, gift bearers, or ushers. We will send reminders home if your child is chosen for any of these roles.

**Life Teen (grades 9-11)** begins with an **Opening Event** on 10/6 following 5:30 Mass in the Parish Hall. Life Teen Mass will continue during the academic year beginning on Sept. 15. **Confirmation** Parent/student meeting will be on 9/22 following Mass at 6:15 in the church.

***An important note to all of our families. It is our expectation that all students attend weekly Mass as part of their faith formation. Sending them to class is only a part of their journey of faith. Unless they are regularly practicing their faith through Mass attendance, prayer and Catholic teaching at home, then class means very little. You are the primary educator of your son/daughters in the Catholic faith – as you promised at their Baptism. We are happy to partner with you in that important job - but we cannot do it alone.***

Once again, thank you and *God bless you* for the gift of faith you are sharing with your child!

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