

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH
ELIZABETH CITY, NC 27909
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COVENANT FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2010-2011

1. We the parents of _____, who presented our child for Baptism and promised to bring his/her up as a Catholic, understand that it is our primary responsibility to teach our child the Catholic Faith.
2. We seek the assistance of our Parish Religious Education (RE) Program.
3. We understand that Sunday Mass is a number one priority in the RE Program and we will participate by attending Mass each Sunday with our child.
4. When our child cannot attend his/her Faith Formation class, we will notify the RE Director or teacher prior to class.
5. If my child is absent for three (3) consecutive classes without prior notification, I understand he/she will be dismissed from the program.
6. In order to re-register my child after dismissal, I understand that I need to make an appointment with Father Jim.
7. Attendance and punctuality is required for an effective program. If my child does not attend 80% of classes, I understand my child will not receive credit for the year and will have to re-enroll in the same class the following year.
8. We promise to fully support the Holy Family Parish and its Religious Education Program.
9. Parents are encouraged to continue their Catholic education by attending adult formation classes offered during their child's catechesis.

For children, parents are the first and foremost catechists who plant the seeds of faith long before participation in any formal catechetical program. "This childhood religious awakening which takes place in the family is irreplaceable." (GDC 226) Parents teach powerfully by the way they live and practice their Catholic Christian faith. It is within the family setting more than anywhere else that faith formation takes place. It is here that attitudes toward God, The Church, self and others are first learned. It is in the family that the first steps of prayer, the development of moral conscience, and the formation of Christian love, which reflects the love of God is taught. The family is the place where Christian education "...more witnessed to than taught, more occasional than systematic, more on-going than structured." (GDC 255)

We look forward to having your child enrolled in our Religious Education Program. If we can be of any assistance, please let us know. An extra copy of this letter is attached for you as well as a tentative schedule Faith Formation school calendar to retain and keep handy at home.

Sincerely,

Sharon M Lupton
Director Religious Education

Signature of Parent(s): _____ Date: _____

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR

CHILD'S NAME _____

CHILD'S NAME ON BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE: _____

MALE/FEMALE (Please Circle) AGE: _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____
SCHOOL GRADE: (2010-2011 School years): _____ HOME SCHOOLED? YES/NO

SACRAMENTS RECEIVED DATE AND CHURCH/PLACE: (This section MUST be completed.)

Baptism _____

Penance _____

Holy Communion _____

Confirmation _____

FAITH FORMATION GRADE: (Please leave blank, to be completed by Religious Education Director) _____

Has child been enrolled previously in Faith Formation? Yes/No

If yes, date(s) and place of enrollment and Faith Formation school grade: _____

If child was previously in a Faith Formation program at another Parish, please furnish a copy of the certificate or Parish letter. **COPY OF YOUR CHILD'S BAPTISMAL RECORD IS NEEDED TO ENROLL IN ALL CLASSES.**

Parent(s) Name(s): _____

Full Residential Mailing Address: _____

***HOME EMAIL ADDRESS:** _____

*Please note: Many notices and reminders regarding church activities are sent via email. If you prefer *not* to receive church related emails from your child's teacher or Religious Education Director, please opt out here _____ – otherwise please leave this line blank and you can expect notices via email. Thank you.

HOME PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

PARENTS' RELIGION: Mother _____ Father _____

SPECIAL NOTES (ALLERGIES, MEDICATIONS, ETC.): _____

I would like to help/volunteer! (Please Circle): Teacher Substitute Other: _____

I have read and understand and will abide by the attached Religious Education Covenant.

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____