



Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

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Summer 2024

Dear PSR Families,

This letter concerns the 2024-2025 PSR year at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church. PLEASE take time to read through this entire letter.

CLASS DAYS AND TIMES

- Beginning on Sunday, 15 September 2024, the Sacred Heart PSR program will begin the 2024-2025 academic year.
- Classes will be held on Sundays from 9:15 am to 10:15 am in the Education Building.
- Attendance will be monitored, and there are specific requirements for 1st, 2nd, 8th, and Confirmation students (sacramental preparation & sacramental years)

PSR REGISTRATION FORMS

- The PSR registration form for the 2024-2025 academic year is included with this letter. For returning students, the form is pre-printed; please provide (or update) any missing (or errant) information. Additional blank forms may be downloaded from <https://psr.shoj.cc>
- The PSR fee that we ask for helps us cover some of the expenses incurred in sharing the faith with your child(ren). Textbooks run \$19.95 each + shipping; Bibles cost us \$12.68. Current tuition fees:
 - For Sacred Heart Parishioners are:
 - \$10/child if paid by 7/31/2024, AND
 - \$25/child if paid on or after 8/1/2024
 - For those registered at another Catholic parish, we ask at least the following:
 - \$25/child if paid by 7/31/2024, AND
 - \$45/child if paid on or after 8/1/2024
 - As the Sunday collection heavily subsidizes the PSR program, we ask more of those who support another parish community financially.
 - As always, financial hardship on your part should never be a reason for not sending your child to PSR. If you have difficulty paying the PSR fee for your child(ren), please contact Fr. Trask so that he may adjust or waive the fees – according to what is most appropriate to your situation.

If you are interested in being a catechist and sharing the faith with our youth, please contact Bridget Boardman at office@psr.shoj.cc or call the parish office. If you cannot commit to the entire year, please consider being on our substitute list. Virtus Training can be completed online if needed.

THANK YOU for allowing us the privilege of partnering with you, as parents, to share the love of God and the richness of our Catholic faith with your child(ren).


Sincerely,

Bridget Boardman



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Parish School of Religion 2024-2025 Calendar Sundays from 9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Date	Topics
September 15	Welcome!!
September 29	
October 6	Month of the Rosary
October 13	
October 20	PSR Participates at 10:30 am Mass
October 27	Discussion with Father Trask Grades 1-4 ??
November 3	Discussion with Father Trask Grades 5-Confirmation ??
November 10	
November 17	PSR Participates at 10:30 am Mass
November 24	
December 1	
December 8	
December 15	Last Class before Christmas Break PSR Participates at 10:30 am Mass
January 5	Praesidium lessons – complete by the end of January (Grades 1-5)
January 12	
January 19	PSR Participates at 10:30 am Mass
January 26	
February 2	
February 9	
February 16	No Class (Presidents' Day Weekend)
February 23	Reconciliation (Grades 3-6) ???
March 2	Reconciliation (Grades 7-Confirmation) ???March Madness Bible Trivia?
March 19	
March 16	PSR Participates at 10:30 am Mass
March 23	
April 6	
April 13	Palm Sunday
April 20	Easter - NO Class
April 27	Server training? PSR Participates at 10:30 am Mass
May 4	Last day of class (May crowning, food, and activities)

29 total classes

Special dates to remember:

April 27	Confirmation at Cathedral at 2:30 p.m.
May 3	First Communion at Sacred Heart 4 p.m. (practice is at 9 a.m.)

Instructions

- Class will begin at 9:15 a.m.
- An alarm will ring at 10:10 a.m. when class is done.
- Students attending mass after class must wait in the hallway, and someone will take them to the church.
- The main door will be locked at the start of class.
- Bridget will be in the office to let kids in who come late.

Rosary

- October is the month of the rosary. Please plan an activity for the Rosary in October. Examples include explaining the rosary, making a beaded rosary, explaining one mystery each week, praying one decade of the rosary each week throughout the year, or presenting the rosary to the kids.

Praesidium Lessons

- Books will be given to catechists (grades 1-5).
- The lesson should be completed by the end of January.
- This is a diocese requirement.

Discussions with Father Trask

- These are listed on the calendar.
- Father will come to the classroom.
- Dates are subject to change based on Father's availability.

Reconciliation

- Hopefully, we will have reconciliation during Lent based on Father's availability.

PSR Participates at 10:30 am Mass

- Beginning in October, the third Sunday of the month will be PSR Participation Mass and Doughnut Sunday. A schedule of activities will be provided on the first day of class. In April, the third Sunday is Easter so Participation Mass will be held on the fourth Sunday.

Server Training

- For rising fourth graders and up in preparation for summer serving schedules.

May Crowning

- All PSR can participate in the crowning of the Mary Statue by the Bell Tower of the Church. Weather permitting, outside games and treats will be served afterward. Bible Trivia Final Challenge?

As PSR costs are covered primarily, through the Sunday collection (and only minimally through PSR fees) we ask that **registered parishioners of Sacred Heart** pay \$10 per child (\$25/child if submitted on-or-after 8/1/2024) - and that **members of other Catholic parishes** who send their child(ren) to Sacred Heart PSR pay at least \$25 per child (\$45/child if submitted on-or-after 8/1/2024). ALL FEES should be REMITTED WITH THIS FORM, but must be remitted no later than the first day of class. And, as always, anyone having difficulty paying a PSR fee is asked to speak with Fr. Trask so that fees may be reduced or waived.

Child resides with legend:

It is helpful to know about the family background. We would like to be made aware of: the custodial parent, non-custodial parent, whether grades are to be released to non-custodial parent, etc. This knowledge will also enable us to have a level of sensitivity in conducting classes.

Below you will find a list of categories that may help you in determining a “family definition,” or feel free to include one that you find more descriptive of your family situation.

1. Biological Parents
2. Mother (single parent)
3. Mother (single parent; father deceased)
4. Mother (parents divorced; mother not remarried; father still living)
5. Mother (father deceased)
6. Mother (father deceased; step-father)
7. Mother (parents divorced, mother remarried: child has a step-father)
8. Father (single parent)
9. Father (single parent; mother deceased)
10. Father (parents divorced; father not remarried; mother still living)
11. Father (mother deceased; step-mother)
12. Father (parents divorced, father now remarried; child has a step-mother)
13. Foster parents
14. Grandparents (maternal)
15. Grandparents (paternal)
16. Grandniece / grandnephew
17. Parents share custody
18. Mother has custody - parents separated
19. Father has custody - parents separated
20. Adoptive parents
21. Other (must specify a description):

Other important info:

Does your child have any serious illnesses, physical disabilities, or allergies? No? If yes, please explain...

Does your child have an IEP or a 504-education plan, or is your child in a gifted program, at the school? No?
If yes, please explain...

Are you willing to assist us in sharing the faith with your child?

Substitute Teacher? Full time teacher? Office help?

Other? please specify:

Occasionally we photograph PSR and/or parish activities for classroom posters, for use on parish bulletin boards, and/or posting on the parish website/facebook presence. Whenever photographs are used, minors are not identified by name. Unless instructed otherwise in the space below, enrolling your child in the PSR program implies tacit acceptance of our photographic norms.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Vacation Bible School

Event Dates: July 22 - July 26, 2024

Time: 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

Ages 4* to 12 (*MUST be potty trained - NO diapers or pull-ups)

Theme: "Playing for God's Team"

Address: Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

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COST PER CHILD:

Sacred Heart or St. Patrick's Parishioners: \$15 per child; \$30 maximum per family paid on-or-before June 30, 2024

Non-parishioners and parishioners on or after July 1, 2024: \$20 per child; \$40 maximum per family

Checks may be made out to Sacred Heart Catholic Church with VBS in the memo.

The cost includes a t-shirt, daily snack, and crafts.

Families are invited for a picnic lunch on Friday for closing ceremonies at 11:00 am

DEADLINE TO REGISTER is Monday, July 15, 2024

Spaces are limited!

At Sacred Heart Catholic Church, we believe that financial hardship should never be a barrier to your child's participation in our programs. If you need help paying the VBS fee, please contact Fr. Trask. He will adjust or waive the fees depending on the situation, ensuring that every child can join us for this enriching experience.

As a close-knit community, we value respect and empathy. Our Youth Ministry Programs, including the Vacation Bible School, expect participants of all ages to uphold these values. We have a zero-tolerance policy for bullying or fighting towards anyone, whether volunteers or students. In such a case, parents or guardians will be contacted, and the child will be asked to leave for the day. We strive to create a safe and inclusive environment for all.

Full names, ages, and last grade completed of child(ren) attending:

Full Name of person filling this form and relationship to child(ren)

Mailing Address:

Phone:

Email:

Emergency Contact:

Phone Number:

Any known allergies? _____ Epipen provided? Y or N (MUST BE LABELED)
Medications? _____

T-shirt size for Student(circle)

Youth Extra Small (4-5)

Youth Small (6-7)

Youth Medium(8-10)

Youth Large (12-14)

Youth XLarge (14-16)

Adult Small

Adult Medium

Adult Large

Adult XLarge

Adult XX-Large

Is there anything else you would like us to know about your child? (Example: social anxiety, health concerns, learning differences, etc.)

Do you permit Sacred Heart Catholic Church or the Diocese of Cleveland to use any photo or video of your child's participation during VBS for bulletin-board, weekly bulletin, PSR newsletter, etc. purposes? (Last names are never associated with any pictures)
Y or N

Can you volunteer to assist in planning or running VBS (You must be over age 12)?
Y or N

Select the days you are available: Monday 7/22 Tuesday 7/23 Wednesday 7/24
Thursday 7/25 Friday 7/26

How should we contact you?

Are you a Sacred Heart or St. Patrick's Parishioner? Y or N

The cost is \$15 per child; the Maximum per family is \$30

Non-parishioners & parishioners after 6/30: \$20 per child; Maximum per family is \$40

Please include cash or check (Made out to *Sacred Heart Church* with VBS in the memo line).

Office Use only:

Date Received:

Paid: Y or N Check #

Received by: _____