

**St. Mary of Nazareth
Faith Formation & LIFE TEEN
4600 Meredith Drive
Des Moines, Iowa 50310
515-276-7589**

May 2017

It is time to register for Faith Formation & LIFE TEEN for the school term, 2017-18. Enclosed is one registration form for your family. Please fill it out and return by June 14, 2017.

IMPORTANT CONFIRMATION ANNOUNCEMENT FOR 8TH GRADE FALL OF 2017

Confirmation Prep is a **two year commitment** beginning in 8th grade. Students who will be in 8th grade in the fall of 2016, will be expected to register AND attend 8th grade class each week on Wednesday nights. You will receive a letter in August 2017 explaining the Confirmation process. There will be a mandatory parent & student meeting the first night of Faith Formation class in September.

BAPTISM INFORMATION:

If you are a new member of St. Mary of Nazareth, please submit copies of baptismal certificates for each child with the completed registration form.

If you have a child entering 1st grade, make sure you register them. Without 1st grade prep, your child will not be able to make their First Reconciliation & First Communion in 2nd grade. Enclosed is one registration form for your family. Please fill it out and return by June 14, 2016.

On the registration form, please indicate which session you prefer your children to be placed in. Your choices are:

- Wednesday: 5:30pm to 6:30pm will have space for students in grades K - 8
- Wednesday: 7:00pm to 8:00pm will have space for students in grades 1 – 8
- Wednesday: 7:00pm to 8:45pm Youth Group for grades 9 – 12

9th and 10th Grade Confirmation Prep have four mandatory prep classes that usually meet on Sunday nights. Students NEED to register for Confirmation Prep.

The 7:00pm session will fill up fast. If you need your child to be placed in the 7pm session, make sure to register WITH payment immediately. If we cannot accommodate your child at 7pm, you will be placed on a waitlist. Waitlists will be cleared on a first come-first serve basis. Please contact Bridget Brass at bridgetb@stmarydsm.org or 515-276-7589 with questions.

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\$75.00 for 1 student/\$100.00 for 2 students/\$125.00 3 or more students

\$25.00 per family LATE FEE if registration and check are received after June 15, 2017

PLEASE TURN OVER

Our Faith Formation & Youth Group programs rely solely on volunteers. If you decide to be a catechist, classroom assistant, or on the Youth Group Core Team, the registration fee is waived. You can volunteer at any session, and your child will be placed in that session. VIRTUS training is required – you must be registered to take VIRTUS training or have completed VIRTUS training before the first class session. VIRTUS training can be completed online in approx. 45 minutes.

Please print your email address clearly on the registration form. The Faith Formation office has gone “paperless” and we MUST have an email on file for all announcements!

Please complete the registration form. You may mail the form with your payment –OR- drop it off at the parish office – OR- drop in the collection basket at Mass. If you drop it off or put it in the collection basket, please put the registration form and the check in an envelope with “Faith Formation” written on it. Mailing address is: St. Mary of Nazareth – Attn: Faith Formation – 4600 Meredith Drive – Des Moines, Iowa 50310.

Registrations will be confirmed and finalized in late August – early September. Please be advised: once all registrations have been received, classes and session times may fluctuate based on student need. If your family is affected, we will contact you.

Please contact Bridget Brass in the Faith Formation office with questions, concerns or special requests at 515-276-7589 or bridgetb@stmarysdsm.org. Youth Group questions, please contact Lauren White at 515-251-7568 or maggies@stmarysdsm.org.

Thank you,

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