Saint Patrick Church of Burrillville, RI Saint Joseph Church of Pascoag, RI

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Dear Parents,

Welcome Back! Our Religious Education Faith Formation, for the 2018/2019 year is fast approaching. Our staff and volunteers are ready to welcome your child(ren) for another year of Faith Formation. May we recognize God’s presence in our lives and encounter Christ more deeply each day. I pray that your summer has been filled with blessings, rest and fellowship.

Our Religious Education Faith Formation provides an environment that is rooted in the rich tradition of the Catholic Church and forms young minds in faith and discipleship. Remember parents; you are the first teachers of your children, especially in the area of passing on the faith. May we work together in passing on our faith to the next generation. We pray that this year will strengthen your children’s faith and deepen their relationship with Christ and His Church.

All classes will be held at Saint Patrick Church Hall on Wednesday nights, unless otherwise noted. New this year, we are moving Grades 7, 8, 9 & 10 to a new start time 7 pm. Here are the following Religious Education meeting times:

Grades 1 – 6 will meet from 6 pm – 7 pm

Grades 7 & 8 will meet from 7 pm – 8 pm

and Grades 9 & 10 will meet from 7 pm - 8:15 pm.

You can register through Parish Giving (an email will be sent) or download the Registration Forms and Religious Ed Calendar by visiting either of our websites: <https://stpatrickri.org/> or <https://stjosephri.org/>. Upon request, registration forms can also be mailed or picked up at either rectory. Remember that the schedule is tentative and subject to change.

NEW THIS YEAR, our Family Catechesis Nights, which the whole family is invited to attend, are scheduled on selected Wednesday nights through the year. Join the pastor, teachers and volunteers for an evening of prayer, reflection and activity. Please see the calendar for date, time and location.

A financial contribution to offset religious education supplies remains the same as last year. It is $25 per child. For those in first (1st), second (2nd), ninth (9th) and tenth (10th) grades, an additional $10 contribution is requested for added materials needed. Registration contributions are due at the time of registration.

The “source and summit” of our faith is when we gather on the Lord’s Day (Sunday) to worship our God as a faith-filled community. At the Mass, we offer our prayers and sacrifices to God in union with the Sacrifice of the Mass, the Eucharist, and are filled with the strength to continue our journey of faith. As a continued practice, especially preparing to receive the sacraments, children in grades one (1), two (2), nine (9) and ten (10), are required to “sign in” at Mass each week. The sign in book is located at the rear of each church. If you are traveling or attending Mass at another Catholic Church, please have a bulletin from that church signed by the priest who celebrated the Mass.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact either parish rectory (Saint Patrick 401-568-5600 or Saint Joseph 401-568-2411).

Peace in Christ,

Reverend Scott J. Carpentier

Pastor