

Dear Parents,

The month of June begins registration for St. Catherine's Religious Education classes for the 2017-2018 school year.

**Items needed to complete registration are attached to this email:**

- Registration form
- Release Information form
- Permission to Publish form
- All items need to be complete with your payment (checks made payable to St. Catherine of Siena Church) and **mailed or dropped off to St. Catherine of Siena Church, 10 N. Pocono Rd., Mt. Lakes, NJ No registration will be accepted by email.**
- Be sure to read the Handbook found on our website: stcatherine-ml.org.
- **Registrations received after July 31<sup>st</sup> will incur a \$50 late fee.**

Volunteers are needed on all levels for the coming school year. We are always in need of catechists, office help, babysitters, and catechist substitutes. (Indicate on registration form.) Please consider assisting us in whatever capacity you feel comfortable. Four hundred+ students are an enormous responsibility and an awesome joy – and your help is always appreciated!

**OUR CLASSES ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7**	Grade 8**	Grade 9**	Grade 10**
Monday	4:00-5:15pm Begin 9/11					7:30-9:00pm Begin 9/11**	7:30-9:00pm Begin 10/30**		
Tuesday		4:00-5:15pm Begin 9/12			7:00-8:15pm Begin 9/12				
Wednesday			4:00-5:15pm Begin 9/13					7:30-9:00pm Begin 11/1**	7:30-9:00pm Begin 9/13**
Thursday				4:00-5:15pm Begin 9/14					

<b>**Grade 7 – Fall Semester Begins 9/11→10/23</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Class Mass on Saturday, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm followed by the Living Rosary.</li> <li>• <b>Spring Semester Begins 1/8/2018→2/12/2018</b></li> </ul>	<b>**Grade 10 – Fall Semester Begins 9/13→10/25</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CONFIRMATION RETREAT – August 26<sup>th</sup> and August 27<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• <b>Spring Semester Begins 1/10/2018→2/21/2018</b></li> <li>• Confirmation will be celebrated on Saturday, March 10, 2018 at 11am. Practice will be on Thursday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm.</li> </ul>
<b>**Grade 8 – Fall Semester Begins 10/30→12/11</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Spring Semester Begins 2/26/2018→4/23/2018</b></li> <li>• A special class on the Liturgy is scheduled for Saturday, April 14, 2018 at 4:30pm followed by Mass at 5:30pm.</li> </ul>	<b>**Grade 9 – Fall Semester Begins 11/1→12/13</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pottery Retreat - Nov. 8, 2017 during class time.</li> <li>• <b>Spring Semester Begins 2/28/2018→4/25/2018</b></li> </ul>

*First graders* will meet on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday afternoon from 4:00-5:15pm depending upon availability. Please indicate on your registration form your 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> choice for which day. Class space is limited, so please return the registration as soon as possible.

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

- **GRADE 10 PARENTS' Required Meeting:** \* *Please note: One parent or guardian needs to attend this retreat meeting.*  
**Preparing for the Confirmation Retreat:** Thursday August 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.
- **1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE PARENT MEET & GREET:** Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Parish Center Conference Room.
- **GRADE 2 PARENTS' Required Meetings:** (all in the Parish Center)  
**Preparing for Reconciliation:** Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm  
**Preparing for First Holy Communion:** Monday, February 5, 2018 at 7pm
- **GRADE 9 PARENTS' Required Meeting:**  
**Preparing for Confirmation:** Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 8:15pm in the Parish Center.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the many catechists, parents, and of course, our children, for the honor and blessing of passing on our faith. One does not take part in a ministry such as this without a lot of help, support, and prayers. It is a privilege to be able to work together as we travel on this wonderful journey we call life.

Have a safe and blessed summer. See you at Mass!

Thanks and God Bless,  
Lisa Gervasio, DRE

*My prayers are with you and I ask for your prayers in return.*