



*St. Joan of Arc Church*

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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## Religious Education Options, 2026-2027

***\*Families who did not have children registered in our program during the 2025-2026 Religious Education year must contact the office prior to registration. All families participating in our program must be registered parishioners of St. Joan of Arc Church.\****

Weekly/Traditional Program: Classes for all grades, 1st - 8th, Mondays and Tuesdays from **5:15 pm - 6:30 pm**. The goal is to have all children in a family attend class at the same day and time. Children attend classes on Mondays **or** Tuesdays; you can indicate which day you prefer at the time of registration.

Family Program for 1st Grade: Four Sundays during the course of the year, between October and April. 1st graders and at least one parent will meet in the St. Joan of Arc cafeteria on designated Sundays from 11:30-12:30 for a presentation on one of the units in the text, and a related craft/activity. *Children/parents attending the Family Program are also required to complete an activity log. This is in line with Diocesan requirements. Please see the next page for details.\*\**

Special Disciples: For children with special needs. This class meets approximately two Sundays per month from 9:00 am - 10:00 am. Children in Sacramental years in Special Disciples receive Sacramental prep as well. \*Parents who wish to register a **new** student for Special Disciples should contact the Religious Education Office before registering (if you have a returning student for Special Disciples, you do not need to contact the office).

Home Study: Option for 3rd-6th grades only (*we do not offer home study for 1st, 2nd, 7th or 8th grades*); parents and children work together at home through the text according to a syllabus provided by the RE Office. *Children/parents participating in home study are also required to complete an activity log. This is in line with Diocesan requirements. Please see the next page for details.\*\**

OCIA Tweens/Teens: For children who have missed significant prior Religious Education, and need foundational catechesis as well as Sacramental preparation. OCIA

Tweens is for children in grades 3rd-6th, OCIA Teens is for children in grades 7th-8th and early high school. Scheduling of these classes is at the catechists' discretion; families should contact the Religious Education Office for further details. ***OCIA Tweens/Teens placement is subject to approval by the RE Office.***

**Summer Program:** This is a one-week, intensive program for students in grades 1–8. For 2026-2027, our weeks are July 6-10 and July 13-17, 8:30 am - 2:00 pm daily. Because the full year's curriculum is covered during this week, students are required to attend every day, Monday through Friday. Due to the popularity of this option, it is available only to currently enrolled families whose children are attending classes this year at their grade level. Families outside the parish may inquire about any remaining openings after February. *Children/parents participating in home study are also required to complete an activity log. This is in line with Diocesan requirements. Please see below for details.*\*\*

**\*\*Activity Logs** – In accordance with Diocesan requirements, some of our faith formation options (Summer Program, 1st Grade Family Program, Home Study) require children and parents to participate in parish activities throughout the year. The activity options **are determined by the RE Office, and are in-person and take place at St. Joan of Arc.** The options include events such as our Family Advent Retreat, Stations of the Cross, the Christmas Carol Festival at St. Joan's, monthly movie nights, special Masses like the Thanksgiving Day Mass, All Souls Mass, and more. Families have the flexibility to choose from a variety of options, and we post and update the options of our website.

Each family must complete a total of six activities: four in-person and two at-home. The at-home activities can be completed during Advent or Lent. Specific details are provided in the fall.

**Tuition as of January 2026 - Please note that tuition is subject to change as we evaluate costs. The RE Office will communicate the final tuition rates for 2026-2027 to families following approval.**

***Rates in 2025-2026 for weekly/traditional/home study/family program/Special Disciples:***

\$125 per child, \$150 for two children, \$175 for three children (reflects an increase of \$25 per child)

***Sacramental Year Fee - First Reconciliation/First Communion, and Confirmation***

\$25 per child. This fee helps to partially offset the costs related to Sacramental preparation and celebrations, such as retreats, Confirmation gowns, Sacramental certificates, church decor, etc.