



**Religious Education Program**  
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Dear K-10 Religious Ed Families,

Thank you for allowing us be a part of your family's faith development.

Enclosed is your child(ren)'s list of Religious Ed dates for 2018-19 both the student-only sessions, as well, as intergenerational events:

- 1) We urge you to plan family activities and events, as well as, students' extracurricular activities, outside of our schedule of sessions. Religious Ed is only a limited number of weekends a year.
- 2) Please be sure that your children arrive on time and refrain from leaving early to their student-only sessions as it is disruptive and can become "contagious."
- 3) For student-only sessions, children are to enter through the Collins Place, Marsdale Street, or Church (IF attending Mass just prior to the Religious Ed session) doors only – all doors on the perimeter of the main parking lot are always locked for safety and security purposes.
- 4) There are two family 'M&Ms' events again this year – we will begin the school year with one (Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>) and then we will hold the Christmas one on December 2<sup>nd</sup> – please see the enclosed sheet for the details of the September 16<sup>th</sup> M&Ms event.
- 5) You will notice that we will be holding only one 'Family Educational Event' this year. Our theme will be "Catholic Traditions Around the World". You will receive the details closer to the date but it will follow the same format as in past years.
- 6) We have added another intergenerational family activity, though, on March 31, 2019. It will be a Lenten Reconciliation event which will include breakfast. Details will be sent to you closer to the date but keep in mind that it will begin with Mass at 11:30 AM and then will last approximately 90 minutes following Mass.
- 7) All children with at least one parent is expected to attend these four family events: 2 M&Ms, 1 Family Educational Event, and 1 Reconciliation Breakfast.

As you know, we have a website dedicated to all things Mater Christi Religious Ed. All that we send you, and more, is on our website ([www.materchristireligioused.com](http://www.materchristireligioused.com)). We have a Facebook page (@materchristireligioused) and a twitter account (@MCreligioused) - Follow us!

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns regarding any portion of the Religious Ed Program. I do best with email but, I certainly will return telephone calls, as well.

Blessings,  
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