



## 2022 – 2023 YOUTH FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION INFORMATION AND PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to Holy Name's 2022-2023 Youth Faith Formation Program! My name is Robert Le Grand and I am the new Director of Formation here at Holy Name Catholic Parish. I am very excited to begin serving our parish community and aid in the faith formation of your children. Below are important details about registration and the program we are offering this school year. You are invited to attend a parent meeting to learn more about our program and plans for the formation year.

Parent meetings will be held on **Sunday, September 25**, in the Saint Agnes Center. The parent meeting in **Spanish will be 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.** and the parent meeting in **English will be 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.** Please reach out if you have questions at 303.781.6093 ext 111 or [formation@holynamedenver.org](mailto:formation@holynamedenver.org).

We look forward to meeting with you!

In Christ Jesus,

Robert Le Grand  
*Director of Formation*

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- Registration begins on Sunday, August 7 and ends on Sunday, August 28.
- Classes begin on October 2, 2022 and go through May 7, 2023.
- Class size is limited so register early. Priority will be given to registered parishioners and children who attended RE classes at Holy Name during the 2021 - 2022 school year.
- Class times:
  - Pre-K:** We offer two groups, with each group meeting twice a month in the space behind the altar.  
Group A will meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays, from 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.  
Group B will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, from 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.
  - Kindergarten – 5th:** Meet on Sundays from 9:15 – 10:15 a.m. at the St. Agnes Center.
  - 6th – 12th:** Meet on Mondays from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. at the St. Agnes Center.
- RE Registration Cost:
  - Pre-K:** \$25 per family
  - Grades K – 12:** \$75 for the first child and \$55 per student for two children or more.There is a cap of \$240 per family. Payment is due at the time of registration unless other arrangements are made with the Director of Formation.
- Payment Options (choose either option):
  - Option 1:** Enroll and pay online at: <https://membership.faithdirect.net/CO1063>
  - Option 2:** Enroll at the parish office by completing a registration form. Registration forms will be available at the Church, the parish office, and in the library at the St. Agnes Center. Make checks payable to HOLY NAME with a note in the comment line that the \$ is for Youth Faith Formation registration.
- Parents of any child enrolled in our program are required to attend meetings, retreats, and other faith formation activities. A calendar will be distributed at the parent meeting.
- One year of an approved religious education is required before entering into the Sacramental Preparation Program. This can be accomplished by enrolling in a class at Holy Name, attending a class at another Catholic parish (letter confirming attendance required), or home schooling using a Catholic based curriculum (must be approved by Father Daniel).



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#### **PRE-K: AGES 3 – 4 YEARS OLD**

We follow a curriculum based on *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd*, a Montessorian method to Catholic religious education. Our curriculum incorporates hands-on learning, along with integrating children into the liturgical life of the Church. Its primary areas of learning are centered on the Scriptures (including biblical geography), Liturgy, and important feasts in the Church's Liturgical Calendar. The classroom is located behind the altar and it is set up with hands-on learning materials to engage the child and help facilitate a relationship between the child and Jesus.

#### **KINDERGARTEN – 5th GRADES**

We are offering the newly released *Word of Life* curriculum created by the Augustine Institute for both our in person classes and for our Homeschool community. This is an engaging and relevant kerygmatic catechesis that young learners will enjoy through a blended learning model of textbook, online learning interactions, and engaging video enhancements.

It uses a teach-the-teacher model that equips teachers to present lessons effectively and themselves to be more deeply formed in the faith as they teach. When teachers and catechists are well-formed and passionate about the content, everyone benefits and grows in holiness.

This authentic and comprehensive program for both children and parents, provides a complete family faith formation with *Word of Life* materials and the expansive digital library of Augustine Institute and Ignatius Press.

#### **6th – 12th GRADES**

We follow a curriculum that takes young people on a journey through the entire Catholic faith in all its richness. Youth will learn about the existence of God, Creation and the Human Person, and key people and events all the way through Salvation History. They will be educated in the articles of the Creed and the Fundamentals of Catholic Doctrine and the Moral Life. Youth will understand how the Liturgy, Sacraments, Prayer, Discipleship, and Evangelization are the ways to grow in their faith and deepen their love for Christ and our Catholic Church.

### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

#### **BAPTISM FOR OLDER CHILDREN**

- Children six years old and under are received through infant baptism.
- Children seven and older are received through the Rite of Christian Initiation. Children will be enrolled in an age appropriate class to help prepare them to receive their sacrament(s) on Easter Vigil.

#### **RECONCILIATION, CONFIRMATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

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Classes are offered to children entering 2nd-12th grade who have been baptized Catholic and desire to receive their sacraments. This 2-year Fall through Spring program prepares children for their sacraments. We follow the *Signs of Grace* Curriculum created by the Augustine Institute for elementary students. For youth in 6th - 12th grades, we follow a Catholic curriculum that meets the requirements for sacramental preparation.

- Year 1: prepares children to encounter God's mercy in the sacrament of Reconciliation. In addition to classes there will be a parent and child retreat.
- Year 2: prepares children to be strengthened and nourished in the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. In addition to classes there will be two retreats.