 ***St. Francis of Assisi Parish***

***Faith Formation Office***

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our Family Faith Formation registration and schedule for the 2021-2022 year is enclosed. We are continuing our “family approach” with the hope of helping your family maintain your relationship with Jesus. Our theme for the year is “Putting Different Styles of Prayer into Practice”.

* **START TIME** of our family program is 9:30 a.m. This way we can accommodate those who attend 8:30 a.m. Mass or 11:00 a.m. Mass. We have our programs on Sundays so we can celebrate the Eucharist together. ***Please make sure to attend Mass, especially on the days we are meeting. Leaving the session and not attending Mass is not a good example for our youth to witness.***
* ***FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN UP TO GRADE 9*** are **expected** to attend the seven (7) Sundays that are offered and your choice of a service **(S)** option. In addition, choose one (1) extra program **(E)** and one parish meeting. (See registration sheet for further details.)
* **ONE PARISH MEETING** is asked of parents of students in grades 1-9. Normally, Parish Council meetings are on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 pm.
* ***KCC (Kids for Christ Club) for children who have Special Needs***: Your child/family will attend the KCC individual sessions as well as the sessions you choose on your registration sheet. You are also welcome to attend any of the family or extra sessions offered. The KCC schedule is listed on the back of this letter.
* ***REMIND:*** *You will be “reminded” of sessions through a limited character program called,*“Remind”. Please accept any texts or emails you receive from this program. This is our main form of communication. If you would prefer to be exclusively emailed, please let us know and we will be happy to do so.

Payment for this new Faith Formation year is asked at the time of registration or we could put you on a monthly billing cycle. Please see on the reverse side the criteria for an active/or inactive family. If there are any financial issues that prevent you from paying at this time, please contact us. If possible, return your registration forms with payment by August 15th.

If not previously handed in, we will need a copy of your child’s Baptismal Certificate unless Baptized at St. Francis of Assisi. (Please mark that on the registration sheet.)

We are aware our program is not “one size fits all”. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Faith Formation office as we realize every family situation is different. We are here to serve you. Together we will figure out a way to make it work. Thank you for making your family’s faith an integral part of their life as a Roman Catholic. We look forward to working together with you, the parents, who are the first and most important faith “sharers” for your children. We honestly **cannot** do it without you. May we continue to grow together as true intentional disciples of Jesus. We, together with Jesus and each other, can and will make a positive difference in our world. May God bless you, your families, and all that you do.

Sincerely in Christ and St. Francis,

Fr. Ross M. Syracuse, OFM Conv. Elizabeth Irzycki

Pastor Faith Formation Director

**Active/Participating Parishioner Family**:

For the purposes of our Faith Formation Registration process, a family that is considered

“An Active/Participating Parishioner Family” is asked to fulfill the following basic criteria:

1. Officially registered for at least six months prior to the registration date.
2. Family attends Mass, under normal circumstances, *at least* three (3) times per month.
3. Uses the collection envelopes that are mailed to registered parishioners or online electronic

giving through your bank account or credit card. (To register go to [www.stfrancischurch.us](http://www.stfrancischurch.us)

and click on the upper right hand corner where it indicates “egiving”)

**Inactive/Non-Participating or Non-Parishioner Family**:

For the purpose of our Faith Formation Registration process, a family is considered “An Inactive/

Non-Participating Parishioner Family**” if they do not fulfill the above mentioned criteria**, that is, not

registered for at least six months, ***not attending Mass on a regular basis or not supporting the Faith***

***Community.*** “A Non-Parishioner Family” is also one that is registered at another parish but wishes to

enroll their child(ren) in our Faith Formation Program.

**KCC (Kids for Christ Club)**

**Individual sessions for Children who have Special Needs in upstairs room from 6 p.m.-7 p.m. (Also invited and welcomed to any other sessions, events or service)**

**All sessions are on the following Tuesdays:**

**September 14**

**October 5**

**November 9**

**December 7**

**January 11**

**February 8**

**March 8**





ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI GRADES 1-9 FAMILY FAITH FORMATION 2021 – 2022 *(Please print legibly)*

Father/ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone:Cell\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Home\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Guardian (Last) (First)

Mother/ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Phone:Cell\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Home\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Guardian (Last) (First)

Child’s Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Family E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How would you like to be contacted: \_\_\_\_Text (If so, which number?)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_Email \_\_\_\_\_USPS mail

(check all that apply)

Parishioner of St. Francis: \_\_\_\_Yes\_\_\_\_No (Your Church): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status: Married: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Separated/Divorced: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Single Parent: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Child(ren) lives with \_\_\_\_\_Mother \_\_\_\_\_Father \_\_\_\_\_Guardian

**\***Second Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**\***Second E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If parent is not available in case of an emergency, please notify (**other than self**):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: Cell \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Home\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**CHILDREN IN THE PROGRAM (Grades 1-9 only):**

***\_\_\_\_\_\_\_My child will also be enrolled in the KCC sessions***

(If your child was baptized outside of St. Francis of Assisi, please enclose a copy of their Baptismal Certificate.)

Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Grade\_\_\_\_\_ Church Baptized:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2021/22

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2021/22

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**Registration Fees: 2021 – 2022**

**Parishioner** **Non-Parishioner**  **Sacramental Fee**

**\_\_\_1 child-$75 \_\_\_1 child-$150 \_\_\_Reconciliation/First Eucharist-$25 (grade 3)**

**\_\_\_2 children-$140 \_\_\_2 children-$240**

**\_\_\_3 or more-$195 \_\_\_3 or more-$295 \*\*\*Please remit payment with registration**

**Please check and sign below: *See back of letter for further explanation of Active/Inactive Parishioners.***

**\_\_\_\_\_\_We are an Active Parishioner Family** *(In fairness to all, if not already noted, a determination*

*will be made by parish staff via the criteria stated on the letter. If deemed inactive, you will be asked to pay the non-participating price.)*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_We are a Non Parishioner Family (not currently attending weekly Mass or officially registered at**

**another parish.)**

**Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

*Office use: PDS Verified active/inactive parishioner\_\_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ PIF\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Check #: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Remind/PDS/Reg. Book/CC email\_\_\_\_\_*

* ***This is for grades 1-9 only.***
* **2021-2022 St. Francis of Assisi Family Faith Formation Registration**

**Family Name**

**\*\*The checked boxes are programs your family is expected to attend.\*\***

Choose S9 or

S10

Choose S7 or

S8 or

Choose S5 or

S6 or

Choose S3 or

S4

Choose S1 or

S2

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| **Check Box** | **TYPE** | **DESCRIPTION** | **Place** |  |
|  |  | **Grades 1-9AND Parents** | **Social Center** |  |
|  |  | **FAMILIES** | **Social Center** | **11:00 a.m. Mass expected** |
| **X** |  | **Sunday, September 12** | 9:30-10:45 a.m. | **Why Pray? The Purpose of Prayer and the Lectio Divina** |
|  | **S1** | **Service:** (Choose 1) Donate to St. Luke’s food drive 9/18 or 9/19 and 1 hour of accepting donations at the table | Any weekend mass |  |
|  | **S2** | Off-site service, submit Google Form |  |  |
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| **X** |  | **Sunday, October 3** | 9:30-10:45 a.m. | **Prayers from the Scriptures** |
|  | **S3** | **Service:** (Choose 1) Attend pet blessing service, 10/3 | 1:00 p.m. |  |
|  | **S4** | Off-site service, submit Google Form |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Prayrs |
| **X** |  | **Sunday, November 7** | 9:30-10:45 a.m. | **Prayers of Thanksgiving and Gratitude** |
|  | **S5** | **Service**: (Choose 1) Donate to St Luke’s coat drive (coats, gloves, socks, etc.) 11/20 & 11/21 and 1 hour of accepting donations at the table | Any weekend mass |  |
|  | **S6** | Off-site service, submit Google Form |  |  |
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| **X** |  | **Sunday, December 5** | 9:30-10:45 a.m. | **Prayers of Adoration and Blessing** |
|  | **S7** | **Service:** (Choose 1) Christmas cards for Bethel Estates residents  12/12 OR From home and turn in | 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. |  |
|  | **S8** | Off-site service, submit Google Form |  |  |
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| **X** |  | **Sunday, January 9** | 9:30-10:45 a.m. | **Prayers of Supplication, Petition, and Intercession** |
|  | **S9** | **Service:** (Choose 1) Fleece tie blankets for Salvation Army 1/16 | 9:30-10:30 a.m. |  |
|  | **S10** | Off-site service, submit Google Form |  |  |
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| **X** |  | **Sunday, February 6** | 9:30-10:45 a.m. | **Prayers of Contrition and Repentance** |
|  | **S11** | **Service:** (Choose 1) Donate to Buffalo Peace House Collection, take tour of BPH 2/26 & 2/27 | Any weekend mass to donate, tour on 2/27 at 12:15 |  |
|  | **S12** | Off-site service, submit Google Form |  |  |
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| **X** |  | **Sunday, March 6** | 9:30-10:45 a.m. | **Praying the Rosary** |
|  | **S13** | **Service:** (Choose 1) “Lucky to have you” St. Patrick’s craft for Bethel Estates residents 3/20 | 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. |  |
|  | **S14** | Off-site service, submit Google Form |  |  |
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| **X** |  | **All parents are asked to attend at least one parish meeting throughout the year.** | All meetings at 7:00 p.m. | Meetings held In Meeting Room 1 in Social Center or the Parish Office Meeting Room |
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|  |  | **3RD GRADE ONLY** | Students & | **Parents attend all** |
| **X** | **3rd** | Sunday, September 26 | 9:30-10:45 a.m. | 3rd grade parent meeting/session and Enrollment Mass at 11:00 a.m. |
| **X** | **3rd** | Sunday, October 24 | 9:30-10:45 a.m. | Session/with Mass at 11:00 a.m. |
| **X** | **3rd** | **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18** | **6:30-7:30 p.m.`** | **Candle Making/practice** |
| **X** | **3rd** | ***Saturday, November 20*** | ***10:00 a.m.*** | ***FIRST RECONCILIATION*** |
| **X** | **3rd** | Sunday, January 30 | 9:30-10:45 a.m. | Parent Meeting/Session with Mass at 11:00 a.m. |
| **X** | **3rd** | **Saturday, March 26** | **10:00 a.m.-1:15 p.m.** | **Church Search/Banner Making/practice** |
| **X** | **3rd** | **Thursday, May 12** | **7:00 p.m.** | **Practice for 1st Eucharist** |
| **X** | **3rd** | ***Sunday, May 15*** | ***11:00 a.m. Mass*** | ***First Eucharist*** |

Choose S11 or

S12

Choose

S13 or S14

**We could not do all we do without you. If you are interested in volunteering as a facilitator of children for one of our sessions, please check the box and Elizabeth Irzycki will be in touch with you. Thank, you.**