## Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are looking forward to beginning another year of religious education for Kindergarten through 8th graders for the 2020-2021 school year.

CCD meets the goal of providing Religious Education to our children. We realize that in order to be successful in faith formation, our children need support from both home and school. We know a strong partnership will make a great difference in your child's faith formation. As partners, we share in this responsibility for your children and want you to know that we will do our best to carry out those responsibilities. We have 2 options for religious education for the 2020 -2021 school year. Option 1 is our traditional CCD program. Option 2 is take home packets with online assessments.

**Option 1,** is a face to face **Traditional CCD** class. Traditional CCD will take place 8:30AM - 9:45AM in the school for Kindergarten - 8th grade. After class, you will pick your child up in the front lot (the preschool entrance) and can escort them to mass or return home to watch mass which is being streamed live on Facebook and posted on our website. All students would be required to wear masks. We will follow social distancing protocols. More information will be sent to families who choose the traditional option.

Option 2 is Take Home Packets with an Online Assessment. With this option, parents would receive a packet of Gospel Weeklies with links for parents to assist in instructing the lesson. There will also be a link for an online assessment that corresponds to the weekly lesson. \*Students preparing for sacraments (2nd Grade & 7th&8th Grade) will receive the appropriate curriculum. We will speak individually with the families preparing for sacraments who choose the at home optio as they may be asked to "Zoom" with the class to be part of instruction. Families who choose option 2 will receive information regarding packet pickup.

\*Diocesan policy mandates that preparation for First Eucharist and Confirmation takes place over 2 years. Students making First Communion must have 2 years of preparation (1st and 2nd grade) to receive First Eucharist in the 2nd grade. 7th grade students must attend Confirmation preparation in the 7th and 8th grade to receive this sacrament in the 8th grade.

Click on this link to complete your CCD Registration. <u>CCD Registration form 2020-2021</u> There is a minimal fee to cover the cost of materials; \$20 for 1 child, \$35 for 2 children, \$40 for 3 or more children. We can accept payment on the first day of CCD or during packet pick up. In cases of financial hardship, please contact Val Sullivan at parish office 330-782-9783. All information discussed is held in the strictest confidence.

We look forward to an exciting year of working with your children. We will continue to build our community and strengthen the future of Saint Luke Church.

Sincerely,

Valerie Sullivan Coordinator of CCD