



Dear Parents:

Greetings from St. Simon! Registration for catechetical and sacramental programs begins on May 15, 2011 and continues throughout the year.

A preprinted registration form for each child is attached. Please fill in the sections of this form that are blank and review any of the preprinted information for accuracy. This registration is also used as our Emergency Form, so please be sure to complete all information requested. Mail or drop off completed forms along with payment before June 1, 2011 to: **St. Simon Children's Ministry, c/o Darcy Yaley, 1860 Grant Road, Los Altos, CA 94024**

Catechetical Programs

PSR (Pre-School of Religion) is a parent co-op, God readiness program for children ages three (3) as of December 1, 2011 through Kindergarten. One session will be held on Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. only.

CCM (Children's Catechetical Ministry) is an ongoing religious education and faith formation program for children in grades 1-5. Sessions are: on Sundays from 10:15a.m. OR on Tuesdays from 4:00 p.m.

EDGE is a faith formation program for 6th, 7th and 8th grade youth. EDGE meets twice per month on Sundays at 10:15 a.m. OR after the 5:00 p.m. Mass; PLUS twice per month on Fridays for Outreach, Service, Hot Topic or social sessions from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

LIFETEEN is our high school youth group which meets on Sundays following the 5:00 p.m. Youth Mass (6:00-8:30 p.m.).

Sacramental Programs

First Eucharist – Preparation for First Eucharist is normally a two-year process beginning in 1st grade. All children registered in St. Simon School or CCM 2nd grade are considered candidates for First Eucharist.

Confirmation – Preparation for Confirmation is normally celebrated in 8th grade. All students registered in St. Simon School 8th grade or EDGE 8th grade are considered candidates for Confirmation.

Children's Catechumenate – Children over the age of 7 who are not baptized or who are 3rd grade and older seeking the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation and/or Reconciliation must make special arrangements with Sr. Kathleen Hanley, Director of Religious Education, at khanley@stsimon.org or 650-967-8311 ex. 32.

All registration is considered final when we have received the completed registration form, registration fees, and the parent volunteer form.

We look forward to working with you and your child(ren) in September 2011.

Sincerely in Christ,

Sr. Kathleen Hanley, R.S.M.
Director, Religious Education

P.S. Please be assured that any family's inability to pay the fee should never be a reason to refrain from participating in any of the catechetical ministry programs that we offer. I'm happy to speak to those who need the fee covered.

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