



St. Juan Diego Parish

Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon

Faith Formation Registration Information for 2011-2012

Dear St. Juan Diego Families, We provide Faith Formation programs for Preschoolers (age 4) through High School Youth. All programs will meet over at PCC in Building 2. See the back page for the 2011-2012 schedule.

- **Preschool** (age 4 by October 1, 2011) – These children will be learning more about God using “*Stories of God’s Love*” preschool program and is limited to 10 children.
- **Kindergarten** – Children focus on learning the Sign of the Cross and simple prayers using the *Faith First* curriculum.
- **1st Grade**- Children will be learning the Hail Mary, Our Father along with the *Faith First* 1st grade curriculum. This is an important year to build a faith foundation before beginning sacramental preparation.
- **Sacramental Preparation**- This class will study Reconciliation in the fall with the Sacrament of Reconciliation celebrated in December. Eucharist is studied in the spring with First Eucharist celebrated in April. Children must be baptized to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. If a child was not baptized at St. Juan Diego please provide a copy of the baptism certificate with registration. \$25 fee
- **3rd Grade** – The Creed is studied in 3rd Grade along with the *Faith First* curriculum.
- **4th/5th Grade** – A combined class which will study the rosary, altar serving (5th graders can begin serving at Mass) and rotating through the 4th and 5th grade Faith First curriculums.
- **Middle School Youth** – Combined 6th, 7th and 8th grade class where the Catholic faith is made relevant. We also plan to offer social, spiritual and service events throughout the year for Middle School youth.
- **High School Youth Group**- All High School youth are encouraged to participate in HS YG which involves youth planned Masses, retreats, service projects and more. Lead by volunteer Youth Group coordinators Steve and Mary Lourdes Young.
- **Confirmation**- Confirmation is open to all High School Youth who have not yet been Confirmed. Must be a baptized Catholic to be Confirmed. Please provide baptism certificate with registration. Classes will be held on the following dates: Oct 9, Nov 13, Dec 11, Jan 7, Feb 12, March 11, and April 15 from 10:30-11:30. The date for the celebration of the sacrament will be in spring 2012. \$25 fee

Please fill out the registration forms and return before **September 19**. If you are new to the parish we welcome you and also ask that you fill out a Parish Registration Form. As parents, you are the primary teachers of your children’s faith and we look forward to partnering with you. If you have any questions please contact Bridget Becker, Director of Faith Formation, bbecker@stjuandiego.org.