

ST. JOSEPH'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Preparations for religious education classes are well under way. Classes are held for pre-kindergarteners through eleventh graders. Classes will be held as follows:

PRE-KINDERGARTEN - GRADE 5 *SUNDAY 8:45-9:45 A.M.
GRADES 6 - 11 **SUNDAY 7:00-8:00 P.M.

Many teachers have volunteered to teach again this year. However, some of our teachers have moved from the area or would like to teach at a different time. Therefore, there is a need for new religious education teachers. There will be teacher training workshops for those who are willing. If you would like to volunteer, call Rosie Greene at the church office (851-8800) or at 851-2248.

A registration form is attached to this newsletter. Please fill out a form for each child and return it with the appropriate fees. If registration is received by August 27, the fee is reduced for families with more than one child. (Extra forms may be found in the back of church.) Turning in your registration form in a timely manner will allow us to order enough textbooks and secure enough teachers. Registrations may be turned in to the church office or marked "RELIGIOUS EDUC." and dropped in the Sunday collection basket. Deadline for registration is **SEPTEMBER 3**.

THERE IS AN "EARLY REGISTRATION" FEE OF \$20 FOR THE FIRST CHILD AND \$17 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL CHILD IF RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE BY AUGUST 27. THE TUITION FEE IS \$25 PER CHILD FOR ALL LATE REGISTRATIONS.

Religious education classes begin on Sunday, **September 12**.

Reminders and updates will be published in the church bulletin. If you have any questions, call ROSIE GREENE at 851-8800 or 851-2248.

*There are no religious education classes on the last Sunday of each month. The children are encouraged to attend the children's liturgy at 8:45 a.m. and the youth are encouraged to attend youth group meetings in the evening.

**Youth group meetings are held on the last Sunday of each month (Jr. youth group at 6:00 p.m. and Sr. youth group at 7:00pm). Sixth through twelfth graders are invited to join the youth group. In order for a child to grow in his faith, we are providing opportunities for spiritual, educational, and social growth. It is hoped that parents will encourage students to participate in the entire program (classes, penance services, children's liturgy, youth group, etc.)

Confirmation classe will be held on the last Sunday of each month from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. These meetings are followed by youth group. It is our hope that you will encourage your child to attend both and to become involved in the activities and get to know their fellow Catholics.