

**TUESDAY 2016-17**

**6:30-7:30pm in the school cafeteria**

**\*Catechist Meeting for all catechists of all programs August 16, 6:30-7:30pm (School Cafeteria)**

**September** 6 Opening Class & PARENT MEETING – from 6:30-7:30 p.m. school cafeteria  
13 Class  
20 Class  
27 Class

**\*Catechist Meeting for all catechists of all programs September 26, 6:30-7:30pm (School Cafeteria)**

**October** 4 Class  
11 Class  
18 Class  
25 Class  
**November** 1 Class  
8 Class **No class on Election Day**  
15 Class  
22 Class  
29 Class  
**December** 6 Class  
13 Class @ 6:30pm Parish Advent Penance Service @ 7pm,  
We will dismiss @ 7:30pm  
20 *NO CLASS-Winter/Christmas Break*  
27 *NO CLASS-Winter/Christmas Break*

**\*Catechist Meeting for all catechists of all programs January 23, 6:30-7:30pm (School Cafeteria)**

**January** 3 Class  
10 Class  
17 Class  
24 Class  
31 Class  
**February** 7 Class  
14 Class  
21 *NO CLASS—Mid-Winter Break*  
28 Class  
**March** 7 Class  
14 Class  
21 Class  
28 Class  
**April** 4 Class Parish Lenten Penance Service We will dismiss @7:30pm  
11 *NO CLASS Holy Week*  
18 *NO CLASS—Easter Break*  
25 Class– Final session

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Fee: 1 Child-\$100.00 2 Children-\$150.00 3 or more Children-\$175.00  
Non-Parishioner Fee add an additional \$250.00

## **Family Sunday 2016-17**

- Group 1 – Last name beginning with letters A through L
- Group 2 – Last name beginning with letters M through Z

Exceptions to which group you are in may be made **ONLY** by contacting Mrs. Brennan in advance

### **\*Catechist Meeting for all catechists of all programs August 16, 6:30-7:30pm SC**

<u>September</u>	11	Group 1
	25	Group 2

### **\*Catechist Meeting for all catechists of all programs September 26, 6:30-7:30pm SC**

<u>October</u>	2	Group 1
	16	Group 2
<u>November</u>	6	Group 1
	20	Group 2
<u>December</u>	4	Group 1
	11	Group 2

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**8:30 mass or 11:30 mass**  
9:45- 10:00 Open Social Time: Coffee and juice  
10:00 Opening Prayer & Class sessions  
11:15 Dismissal from Class sessions/ Prayer

### **\*Catechist Meeting for all catechists of all programs January 23, 6:30-7:30pm SC**

<u>January</u>	8	Group 1
	22	Group 2
<b><u>February</u></b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Group 2</b>
	<b>12</b>	<b>Group 1</b>
<u>March</u>	19	Group 1
	26	Group 2
<u>April</u>	2	Group 1
	23	Group 2

NOTE: At the request of the group 2 children so they can be here for one donut Sunday, we switched Sundays for this month.

Class Fee: 1 Child-\$100.00    2 Children-\$150.00    3 or more Children-\$175.00  
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## **RECONCILIATION 2016-17**

### **PARENT MEETING**

Thursday, October 27                      6:30- 7:30pm location TBD–  
either School Cafeteria or Community Room see emails as we get closer

### **CLASS SESSIONS**

6:30-7:30pm                      School Cafeteria

November 10                      session 1

November 17                      session 2

December 8                      session 3

January 5                      session 4

January 19                      session 5

January 26                      session 6

\*\*February 2                      makeup session if needed  
for weather cancellation

### **FIRST RECONCILIATION WILL BE CELEBRATED:**

Saturday, February 4, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. in Church followed by a reception in  
Community Room

Sacrament Fee-\$50.00 per child

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## EUCHARIST 2017

### PARENT MEETING

Thursday, March 16                      6:30pm                                      School Cafeteria

### CLASS SESSIONS Thursday Nights                      6:30-7:30pm

March 30                      Session 1

April 6                      Session 2

April 27                      Session 3

May 11                      Session 4

May 18                      Session 5

FAMILY RETREAT: Saturday, May 20 in the school cafeteria 9-11am

May 25                      Session 6

REHEARSAL: Tuesday, May 30 in church, in shifts starting @ 5:30 P.M.  
Schedule TBD after all mass times have been chosen by families

READER REHEARSAL: Students who wish to read at the Saturday celebration only have a separate rehearsal on June 1 at 5 PM in the church.

FIRST EUCHARIST CELEBRATIONS: The weekend of June 3 & 4 at one of four celebration times. You will be given the opportunity to make choices by preference and we will do our best to give you your first choice.

Saturday 6/3 @ 11 am

Saturday 6/3 @ 4:30 pm

Sunday 6/4 @ 10:00 am

Sunday 6/4 @ 11:30 am

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## CONFIRMATION 2016-17

REGISTRATION: Please provide all baptismal certificates with your completed registration forms with fee on or before August 16<sup>th</sup> and sign up for your interview on Signup Genius

INTERVIEWS: August 22<sup>th</sup> - August 31st by reservation on Signup Genius  
**September 11** 5:00-8:00 pm Mini-Retreat Community Room

### CLASS SESSIONS: THURSDAY NIGHTS

**September 22** 6:00-8:00 School Cafeteria session 1  
**October 13** 6:00-8:00 School Cafeteria session 2  
due at session 2 Sponsor Form and Confirmation Name Form  
**November 3** 6:00-8:00 School Cafeteria session 3  
due at session 3 Sponsor Recommendation Letter from their home parish  
**December no class** *Confirmation Service Month*  
**January 12** 6:00-8:00 School Cafeteria session 4  
due at session 4 all completed Service Hour Forms first 5 hours  
**February 9** 6:00-8:00 School Cafeteria session 5  
due at session 5 *final date* to turn in Service Hour Forms last 5 hours  
**March 9** 6:00-8:00 School Cafeteria makeup session ONLY if needed for due to previous weather cancellation

### CONFIRMATION RETREAT:

**Sunday, April 2** 2:00-8:00pm @ Harvest House, 1782 Seneca St. Buffalo 14210  
7:00 Prayer with Parents/Sponsors and dessert

CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL: **Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>** at 6:00pm in church and includes Music rehearsal

POSSIBLE CONFIRMATION DATES: (in order of choice given, to be decided by the Bishop)

Wednesday, May 3

Thursday, May 4

Monday, May 1

Sacrament Fee-\$50.00

Retreat Fee -\$15.00

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## HIGH SCHOOL FORMATION 2016-17

**Mission & Vision:** To engage and entice our high school youth into a deeper relationship and friendship with Christ for their lifetime. This is a collaborative effort between traditional formation and youth ministry options for youth. Our team is committed to a plan of growth in discipleship and peer ministry leadership. We wish to be a content rich and user friendly ministry for our young people in both public and Catholic school to facilitate an excitement for their faith.

**Format:** The format includes two four week catechetical sessions, many service opportunities, ministry involvement and Diocesan wide events including the **Diocesan Catholic Youth Convention, March 3-5 at the Adam's Mark Hotel**. We encourage each young person to find God calling them by offering many ways to go deeper on their faith journey.

**Registration Fee:** \$100.00 per student or \$150 for two or more high school youth.  
Dinner will be served at both the Fall and Winter Session gatherings.  
For non-parishioners, an additional fee of \$250 will apply.

**Kickoff Picnic: Sunday, September 18, 2015 from 4-6 PM meet at the playground for all high school youth!**



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## **Baptismal Preparation Classes 2016-17:**

First time parents seeking to have a child baptized must attend a preparation session prior to scheduling your child's baptism. We offer sessions once a month to help parents understand what baptism means and to explain the sacrament. You only need to attend once.

We review the Rite of baptism, the role of Godparents and the ways the parish supports parents with young children at each of these sessions.

We generally meet in the parish office library at 7p.m. Check the bulletin and website for updates. **Registration is requested.**

Dates are scheduled for the following Thursday's in the 2016-17 year.

August 18  
September 15  
October 20  
November 17  
December 15  
January 19  
February 16  
March 16  
April 27  
May 18  
June 15  
July 20  
August 17

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## **RosaryMakers 2016-17**

We meet one day per month at two times, 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. to make rosaries. Location is usually in the Parish Center. Look for our sign!

August 18

September 19

October 6

November 21

December 12

January 11

February - no meeting

March - no meeting

April 24

May 16

June 6

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