

**TUESDAY 2017-18**

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

**\*Catechist Meeting for all catechists of all programs August 22, 6:30-7:30pm (School Cafeteria)**

**September** 12 Opening Class & PARENT MEETING – from 6:30-7:30 p.m. school cafeteria  
19 Class  
26 Class

**\*Catechist Meeting for all catechists of all programs September 25, 6:30-7:30pm (School Cafeteria)**

**October** 3 Class  
10 Class  
17 Class  
24 Class  
*31 NO CLASS*

**November** 7 Class  
14 Class  
21 Class  
28 Class

**December** 5 Class  
12 Class @ 6:30pm Parish Advent Penance Service @ 7pm, We will dismiss @ 7:30pm  
*19 NO CLASS-Winter/Christmas Break*  
*26 NO CLASS-Winter/Christmas Break*

**\*Catechist Meeting for all catechists of all programs January 22, 6:30-7:30pm (School Cafeteria)**

**January** 2 Class  
9 Class  
16 Class  
23 Class  
30 Class

**February** 6 Class  
13 Class  
*20 NO CLASS—Mid-Winter Break*  
27 Class

**March** 6 Class  
13 Class Parish Lenten Penance Service We will dismiss @7:30pm  
20 Class  
*27 NO CLASS Holy Week*

**April** *3 NO CLASS EASTER*  
10 Class  
*17 NO CLASS Confirmation week*  
24 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 2017-18**

- 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 22, 6:30-7:30pm SC**

<u>September</u>	17	Group 1
	24	Group 2

### **\*Catechist Meeting for all catechists of all programs September 25, 6:30-7:30pm SC**

<u>October</u>	1	Group 1
	15	Group 2
<u>November</u>	5	Group 1
	12	Group 2
<u>December</u>	10	Group 1
	17	Group 2

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9:45- 10:00 Open Social Time: Coffee and juice  
10:00 Opening Prayer & Class sessions  
11:15 Dismissal from Class & Closing Prayer

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<u>January</u>	7	Group 1
	21	Group 2

<b><u>February</u></b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Group 2</b>
	<b>11</b>	<b>Group 1</b>

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

<u>March</u>	11	Group 1
	18	Group 2

<u>April</u>	22	Group 1
	29	Group 2

Class Fee: 1 Child-\$100.00    2 Children-\$150.00    3 or more Children-\$175.00  
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## CONFIRMATION 2017-18

REGISTRATION: Please provide all baptismal certificates with your completed registration forms with fee on or before August 13<sup>th</sup> and sign up for your interview on Signup Genius

INTERVIEWS:     **August 14<sup>th</sup> - August 28<sup>th</sup>** by reservation on Signup Genius  
**September 10**     4:00-7:00 pm Mini-Retreat     School Cafeteria

CLASS SESSIONS: THURSDAY NIGHTS dinner is included

**September 14**     6:00-8:00     School Cafeteria     session 1  
**October 12**     6:00-8:00     School Cafeteria     session 2  
                          **due at session 2 Sponsor Form and Confirmation Name Form**  
**November 9**     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 11**     6:00-8:00     School Cafeteria     session 4  
                          **due at session 4 all completed Service Hour Forms first 5 hours**  
**February 8**     6:00-8:00     School Cafeteria     session 5  
                          **due at session 5 final date to turn in Service Hour Forms last 5 hours**  
**March 8**     6:00-8:00     School Cafeteria     makeup session ONLY if needed for due to previous weather cancellation

CONFIRMATION RETREAT:

**Saturday, March 24**

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

CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL: **Sunday, April 15<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)

Monday, April 16  
Tuesday, April 17  
Wednesday, April 18

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Sacrament Fee-\$75.00 all inclusive

## **Baptismal Preparation Classes 2017-18:**

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 2017-18 year.

August 17  
September 28  
October 19  
November 30  
December 14  
January 18  
February 15  
March 15  
April 19  
May 17  
June 14  
July 19  
August 16

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## **RECONCILIATION 2017-18**

### PARENT MEETING

Thursday, November 2                      6:30- 7:30pm                      School Cafeteria

### CLASS SESSIONS

6:30-7:30pm                      School Cafeteria

December 7                      session 1

December 14                      session 2

December 21                      session 3

January 4                      session 4

January 18                      session 5

January 25                      session 6

\*\*February 1                      makeup session if needed  
for weather cancellation

### FIRST RECONCILIATION WILL BE CELEBRATED:

Saturday, February 3, 2018 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 2018**

### PARENT MEETING

Thursday, March 1 6:30pm

School Cafeteria

### CLASS SESSIONS Thursday Nights

6:30-7:30pm

March 22            Session 1

April 12            Session 2

April 19            Session 3

April 26            Session 4

May 3                Session 5

FAMILY RETREAT: Saturday, May 19 in the school cafeteria 9-11am

May 24              Session 6

REHEARSAL: Tuesday, May 29 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 May 31 at 5 PM in the church.

FIRST EUCHARIST CELEBRATIONS: The weekend of June 9 & 10 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 6/9 @ 11 am

Saturday 6/9 @ 4:30 pm

Sunday 6/10@ 10:00 am

Sunday 6/10@ 11:30 am

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## HIGH SCHOOL FORMATION 2017-18

**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.

**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.

**Format:** The format includes two four week catechetical sessions, many service opportunities, ministry involvement and Diocesan wide events including the **National Catholic Youth Conference November 16-18th** in Indianapolis and the **Buffalo Diocesan Catholic Youth Convention, March 2-4 at the Adam's Mark Hotel**. The two conferences have separate fees. We encourage each young person to find God calling them by offering many ways to go deeper on their faith journey.

**Kickoff Picnic: Sunday, September 17, 2017 from 4-6 PM meet at the playground for all high school youth!**



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## **RosaryMakers 2017-18**

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!

July 11  
August 8  
September 11  
October 19  
November 6  
December 19  
January 29  
February 26  
March 5  
April no meeting  
May 1  
June 5

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