



SAINT MARGARET  
PARISH

## Faith Formation (Religious Education) Program Overviews – 2011-2012

### Nursery Service ~ Marge Troilo, Ext.127

- 📖 Complimentary nursery service for infants and toddlers up to age 3 is available:
  - 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses on Sunday in the Early Childhood Center in the clock tower building next to the church.
  - 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses on Sunday in the Saint Mary Magdalen Education Center.

### Sunday School ~ (Grades Pre-3, Pre-4, and K) ~ Marge Troilo, Ext.127

- 📖 Pre-schoolers increase their awareness of God through active learning sessions that include prayer, stories, songs, crafts and scripture. Kindergarten students should be 5 years of age by **September 1, 2011**. This program is offered for P3, P4, Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade on Sunday mornings during the 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses at the Hickory Avenue campus.

### Elementary Faith Formation (Wednesday) (Grades K – 5) ~ Ext. 202

- 📖 Children learn about and share their faith through prayer and scripture. Catholic doctrine and tradition is taught in an atmosphere of support, encouragement and a faith-filled acceptance of each child's uniqueness.
  - Kindergarten - 4:45 p.m.
  - Grades 1-5 - from 4:45 p.m. ó 5:45 p.m., or from 6:45 p.m. ó 7:45 p.m.

### Elementary Family Home Study (Grades K - 5) ~ Marge Troilo. Ext 127

- 📖 This program is designed to meet the needs of those who prefer to provide faith formation at home. Families grow in faith together through textbooks, scripture, and sharing. One parent meeting and four family group sessions are included in this program.

### Middle / High School Faith Formation (Grades 6 - 10) ~ Kristin Rupprecht, Ext. 166

- 📖 **Grades 6-9** meet every Tuesday or Wednesday (7:00 ó 8:15 p.m.) at the Saint Mary Magdalen Education Center. **Please note this is a new time for 2011/2012.**
- 📖 **Grade 10 – Confirmation** – please see below
- 📖 **Grades 11 & 12** ó Small Faith Sharing Groups will be forming in the winter. Groups will meet at various times, depending on the members' schedules. Please contact Kristin Rupprecht for more information.

### Middle and High School Home Study (Grades 6-9) ~ Kristin Rupprecht, Ext. 166

- 📖 This program is designed to meet the needs of those who prefer to provide faith formation at home. Families work independently on appropriate text for each grade level. There will be a parent meeting and four student/parent gatherings held throughout the year.

### Family Life ~ Marge Troilo, Ext 127; Cee Cee Meholic, Ext. 125; Kristin Rupprecht, Ext. 166

- 📖 **All Elementary, Middle and High School programs include periodic catechesis on family life/human sexuality**, as prescribed by the Archdiocese of Baltimore. By registering your child(ren) in our faith formation program, you understand that:
  - As an integral part of our faith formation curriculum, we will be teaching Catechesis for Family Life. This age-appropriate program about Christian living, chastity, character formation, and safe environment training promotes communication between you and your child. You are encouraged to review the program materials that the teacher/catechist will be using in the classroom, as well as the materials you will receive for home discussion. After examining the program, if you have any questions or concerns about your child participating in this program, please contact Marge Troilo, Cee Cee Meholic or Kristin Rupprecht.

## First Reconciliation / First Eucharist ~ Ext. 202

📖 These sacraments are offered in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade during Advent (Reconciliation) and in the spring (Eucharist). Parents help their child prepare with materials available at the required preparatory seminar of each of these sacraments. The dates, times, and program fees for these seminars are available on our website at [www.stmargaret.org](http://www.stmargaret.org).

## Confirmation ~ Kristin Rupprecht, Ext. 166

📖 Our Confirmation program fosters the total personal and spiritual growth of our youth and assists them in journeying to an ownership of the Catholic faith tradition. Invitations and enrollment forms are e-mailed in the spring to current 9<sup>th</sup> grade students registered in our parish. The Sacrament is celebrated in the spring of the 10<sup>th</sup> grade. The program fees are on our website at [www.stmargaret.org](http://www.stmargaret.org).

## CIC – Christian Initiation of Children ~ Marie Dekowski, Ext 126

📖 This is the initiation process for children (ages 8 to 17 years) coming into the Catholic Church for the first time. This program is offered throughout the year.

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Tuition for Faith Formation Program for 2011/2012 School Year			
	One Child	Two Children	3 or more Children
Paid before July 15, 2011	\$118	\$212	\$250
Paid on or after July 15, 2011	\$130	\$235	\$275

## Registration Form

- ✦ Please complete the appropriate Faith Formation (Religious Education) Registration Form.
- ✦ Tuition payment is appreciated at registration. **Please make checks payable to Saint Margaret Parish.**
- ✦ No child will be denied a faith formation (religious education) due to financial hardship. If you need tuition assistance, please submit a written *confidential request* to the attention of Dorothy A. Beeker or e-mail [dbeeker@stmargaret.org](mailto:dbeeker@stmargaret.org). Please do not keep your children out of faith formation (religious education) classes because of financial difficulties!

## Policies

- ✦ **Copies of Baptismal Certificates are required for all NEW students at time of registration** (if baptized at Saint Margaret Parish, only the date of baptism is needed.)
- ✦ Guidelines from the Archdiocese of Baltimore require that a student **must** have regular attendance in a Faith Formation Catechesis Program or a Catholic School **for one year prior to AND the year receiving** each/any sacrament. If your child did not attend our program but attended another program in the year prior to a sacrament, please provide a transcript or letter of attendance from that church or school to be eligible to receive any sacrament this year.
- ✦ Parents are required to attend seminars before beginning the immediate preparation of their child(ren) for the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation. Dates for these seminars will be published as well as forwarded to the families **via e-mail**.



## Contact Information

- ✦ E-mail will be used as the primary means of communication throughout the school year. *Please make sure your filters and spam allow our e-mail to be received.* We need a current e-mail address to send notices, announcements, confirmations, updates, etc. regarding the Faith Formation (Religious Education) Program. All e-mail addresses will be kept confidential and all e-mail messages will be sent via öblind copyö to protect this confidentiality. Please call the Parish Office (410-879-2670) and let Dorothy Beeker, ext. 111, know if you **DO NOT** use e-mail.



## Publicity Release Form

- ✦ Over the course of the year, we take many photographs of events and activities. In most cases, children (and sometimes parents and siblings) are in these photographs.
- ✦ The **Publicity Release Form** gives us your permission to use any of these photographs in our communications and media. Please complete this form and return it.

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<b><u>On or after July 15, 2011</u></b>	<b>\$130</b>	<b>\$235</b>	<b>\$275</b>

<b>Program Fees for sacraments to cover books, transportation and room accommodations when applicable</b>	
<b>First Reconciliation</b>	<b>\$20</b>
<b>First Eucharist</b>	<b>\$25</b>
<b>Confirmation</b>	
<b>10<sup>th</sup> grade registration and retreat fees **</b>	<b>\$270</b>
<b>** fee if already paid \$50 in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	<b>\$220</b>