



2019-2020 Registration

St. John Neumann Youth Faith Formation

\$30 Late Fee for Registrations made after June 3, 2019

Today's Date: _____ Family's Parish: SJN Other: (Contact RE Office) _____

Family Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: () _____

Preferred Emails: _____

Parents / Guardians

Father Full Name: _____ Cell Phone number: _____

Mother Full Name: _____ Cell Phone number: _____

Children Live With

___ Both Parents

___ Father

___ Mother

___ Other: _____

Emergency Information

In the event of an emergency, if we cannot reach a parent, who should we contact?

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Family Volunteer Information

During the faith formation year, I (Name: _____) can assist in the following way(s):

- Catechist. Session: _____
- Assistant Catechist. Session: _____
- Substitute Catechist. Session: _____
- Hall Monitor. Session: _____
- Special Needs Buddy. Session: _____
- Nursery Attendant. Session: _____
- Family Faith Team (plan Family Gatherings)
- Community Team (plan Community Gatherings)
- RE Office Assistant. Session: _____
- SPRED Catechist.
- Middle School Ministry.
- High School Ministry.

All volunteers must fulfill the formation and safe environment requirements of the Rockford Diocese

Office Use Only: Date Rec'd: _____	Payment Amount: _____	Payment Method: _____
Tuition: _____	Bible: _____	Materials Fee: _____
High School Ministry: _____	Late Fee: _____	Balance Due: _____

Religious Education Sessions

Grade Level Religious Education in Fall 2019	Session Days and Times
Preschool/Kindergarten Ages 3 through 5 years old (by 9/1/2019)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sundays 9am-10:15am
Grades 1-5 <i>For 1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion, children attend Grades 1 & 2. Children celebrate 1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion in Grade 2.</i> In Grade 2, youth and parents have additional expectations beyond classroom activity as part of sacramental preparation (e.g., parent meetings, parent-child retreat, etc.).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sundays 9am-10:15am <li style="text-align: right;">or ▪ Wednesdays 4:15pm-5:30pm <li style="text-align: right;">or ▪ Home Study (parent-guided with assessments) and ▪ Family Faith Gatherings and Community Gatherings
Grades 6-8 <i>For Confirmation, youth attend Grades 6, 7, & 8. Youth celebrate Confirmation in Grade 8.</i> Youth, parent, and sponsor have additional expectations beyond classroom activity as part of Confirmation preparation (e.g., youth/sponsor or parent nights, service, retreat, etc.).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Wednesdays 6:45pm-8pm <li style="text-align: right;">or ▪ Home Study (parent-guided with assessments) and ▪ Family Faith Gatherings and Community Gatherings
Ages 11-16 Special Needs Children Subject to openings in the class. Additional registration and a home visit are necessary for new families.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Special Needs Religious Education (SPRED) Class Wednesdays 6pm-7:30pm ▪ Families are welcomed to attend our Family Faith Gatherings and Community Gatherings according to the ability of their special needs child.

What are Family Faith Gatherings?

All Religious Education families should register for and attend a Family Faith Gathering one time per month as a family. These are **for families with children in Grades 1 through 8**. Note we have expanded these gatherings to include middle school children. We will not hold on-site classes the week of a scheduled Family Faith Gathering. These gatherings are an *expectation* for all families whether you register your children for on-site or home study classes. We have scheduled these family gatherings typically on either the first Sunday or first Wednesday of the month (there are a few exceptions). Sunday family gatherings will meet at either 9am to 10:15am or 11 am to 12:15 pm. Wednesday family gatherings will meet 6 pm to 7:15 pm. On the registration form, you are asked to choose one of these Family Faith Gathering sessions.

Weekend Mass attendance as well as the attendance of both parents/guardians at the gatherings, if possible, are of primary importance to SJN. Thus, families will have the flexibility to choose to commit to either a Sunday or Wednesday family gathering, independent of the session(s) that their children attend. For example, your child attends the Wednesday 4:15pm session, but both parents are only available to attend on Sundays. So register the child for Wednesday 4:15pm on-site class and register the family for one of the Sunday Family Faith Gatherings.

Why are these Family Faith Gatherings part of the expectations of our program? Think of this statistic: Children are in Religious Education classes .003% of their time. Just based on the amount of time we spend with your child, the parish-based formation program cannot possibly take on the sole role of faith formation for your children. The Church teaches, and [studies](#) have supported, that parents are paramount to forming faith-filled children. The Church also teaches that the parish must support you in your role of handing on the faith to your children. Part of this support comes from on-site classes or home study. Additional support will come from Family Faith Gatherings. Your family will benefit from these gatherings through: facilitated faith discussion with your children, praying together as a family, and by demonstrating to your children your commitment to parish life – an essential part of our Christian faith.

What are Community Gatherings?

All Religious Education families are asked to attend our periodic Community Gatherings (approximately one per quarter). While our Family Faith Gatherings focus on faith discussions in your family, the Community Gatherings will focus less on catechesis and more on fun and enjoyment in a faith community atmosphere. We will not hold on-site class the week of a scheduled Community Gathering. These gatherings are an *expectation* for all families whether you register your children for on-site or home study classes. The Community Gatherings will be held on different days of the weeks and at different times, independent of your chosen on-site class and Family Faith Gathering sessions. Because of these, we of course recognize that your schedule may not allow you to attend as a complete family or at all. Any Community Gathering with an extra registration cost will, of course, be optional, and gatherings with an extra registration cost will be kept to a minimum. Why are these Community Gatherings part of the expectations of our program? [Studies](#) show that when families feel engaged in their parish – a sense of belonging to the faith community – spiritual commitment then deepens as well. Your family will benefit from these gatherings: by meeting other Catholic families in the parish who can provide inspiration and support; by forming relationships that bolster you through shared faith, values, and morals; and by demonstrating to your children your commitment to parish life – an essential part of our Christian faith.

Out-of-Sync Sacrament Sessions

Sacrament	Days/Times
<p><u>Baptism for children 7 years and older</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Contact the Parish Office to arrange for baptismal preparation for parents and to arrange the Baptism of the child. ▪ Register the child in Religious Education classes.
<p><u>1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion for children older than Grade 2</u></p> <p><i>Children celebrate 1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion in Year 2 of RE attendance.</i></p> <p>In Year 2, youth and parents have additional expectations beyond classroom activity as part of sacramental preparation (e.g., parent meetings, parent-child retreat, etc.).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Contact the RE Office to assess religion readiness for your child. Some home study may be necessary for your child before entering grade-level classes. ▪ Year 1 and 2: Register children for grade-level Religious Education classes. ▪ Year 2: Child attends Sacraments class, and child celebrates first sacraments. The Sacraments Class meets: Sundays 10:30am to 11:45am.
<p><u>Confirmation for youth in High School</u></p> <p>Youth, parent, and sponsor have additional expectations beyond classroom activity as part of Confirmation preparation (e.g., youth/sponsor or parent nights, service, retreat, etc.).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact the RE Office to assess religion readiness for your child. Some home study may be necessary for your child before entering Confirmation class. • Youth attends Confirmation Preparation Class on Wednesdays 6-7:15pm. • Youth also attends High School Ministry Sundays (attendance will be taken).

Middle School and High School Ministry

Middle School: For students in Grades 6 through 8. Wednesdays 5:30pm-6:45pm, before 6th-8th Grade on-site Religious Education classes. Dates to be announced.

High School: For students in Grades 9 through 12. Sundays 6:30pm-8:30pm. Dates to be announced.

For more information about our programs, including the 2019-2020 calendar once finalized, click on: [Religious Education](#) or [Youth Ministry](#).

Religious Education classes run September 2019 – May 2020. Registration is not a guarantee. Sessions are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis, based on volunteers who have stepped forward and limits to class size

Registration Information

Family Faith Gathering Registration

Required for all Gr. 1-8 Families

Please bring your entire family to these gatherings, including children in Grades 1 through 8. These gatherings will be held one time each month instead of your child's on-site class.

Normally held on the first Sunday or Wednesday of the month. For more information, please see pages 2 and 3 of this packet.

*For families with children
in Grades 1-8*

Family Name: _____

Choose one for the year: One Sunday per month 9am to 10:15am or

One Sunday per month 11am to 12:15pm or One Wednesday per month 6pm to 7:15pm

Choose if applicable: I may need the nursery for my child(ren) younger than Grade 1. Names/ages: _____

Community Gathering Commitment

Required for all Gr. 1-8 Families

Please bring your entire family to these gatherings, including children through Grade 8 (little ones can be kept with you). These gatherings will be held about once per quarter instead of your child's on-site class. They will likely be held on varying days of the week

and times of the day. We will advertise each Community Gathering, starting at least one month before the Gathering. Your check mark below states that you understand the significance of these Community Gatherings and will make your best effort to attend them as a family to support both your own family's faith life and the faith life of the other families in our St. John Neumann community. For more information, please see pages 2 and 3 of this packet. If you have any questions, please contact the RE Office.

*For families with children
in Grades 1-8*

Family Name: _____

My family will make our best effort to attend each Community Gathering

Student Information

Student Full Name: _____ Grade for 2019/2010 _____ Attended last year? Yes No

School: _____ Birth date: _____ Male Female

Sessions (choose all that apply):

Preschool/Kindergarten Sundays

Grades 1-5 Sundays

Grades 1-5 Wednesdays

Grades 6-8 Wednesdays

Grades 1-8 Home Study

Older Child's Sacraments Class

SPRED Wednesdays

Middle School Ministry Grades 6-8

High School Ministry Grades 9-12

High School Confirmation (Note: Also check "H.S. Ministry Grades 9-12")

In first year of attendance, submit photocopy of baptismal certificate with registration.

This child has celebrated: Baptism 1st Reconciliation 1st Communion Confirmation

Do any of the registered children have allergies or health, behavioral, or developmental concerns, etc.?

If so, please explain below. If your child has an education plan in school, it would be helpful to know the basics of this to assist the child better in the classes. If your child needs to carry an EPI pen or other medications, please indicate this below.

Additional Student Information

Student Full Name: _____ Grade for 2019/2010 _____ Attended last year? Yes No
School: _____ Birth date: _____ Male Female

Sessions (choose all that apply):

- Preschool/Kindergarten Sundays**
- Grades 1-5 Sundays**
- Grades 1-5 Wednesdays**
- Grades 6-8 Wednesdays**
- Grades 1-8 Home Study**

- Older Child's Sacraments Class**
- SPRED Wednesdays**
- Middle School Ministry Grades 6-8**
- High School Ministry Grades 9-12**
- High School Confirmation** (Note: Also check "H.S. Ministry Grades 9-12")

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- Grades 1-8 Home Study**

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Sessions (choose all that apply):

- Preschool/Kindergarten Sundays**
- Grades 1-5 Sundays**
- Grades 1-5 Wednesdays**
- Grades 6-8 Wednesdays**
- Grades 1-8 Home Study**

- Older Child's Sacraments Class**
- SPRED Wednesdays**
- Middle School Ministry Grades 6-8**
- High School Ministry Grades 9-12**
- High School Confirmation** (Note: Also check "H.S. Ministry Grades 9-12")

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This child has celebrated: Baptism 1st Reconciliation 1st Communion Confirmation

Please print and copy pages if you have additional children to register.

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Youth Permission Slip

1. Consent: I grant my permission for my child(ren) to attend and participate in St. John Neumann's youth formation programs, (hereinafter referred to as "Activity") to be held at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 2900 E. Main Street, Saint Charles, IL 60174, on September 1, 2019, through August 31, 2020.

2. Student Cooperation: My child agrees to abide by all the rules of aforementioned Activity and to obey the staff in charge of this Activity. The Parish and Diocese will not be liable for my child's failure to cooperate and/or to abide by the rules. Any infraction of the rules may result in the immediate dismissal of my child from the Activity at my expense and without refund to me of the costs paid for the Activity.

3. First-Aid/Emergency Treatment: I authorize the Parish and Diocese and its employees and volunteers to administer first-aid to my child if deemed necessary and appropriate to preserve the life, limb or well-being of my child. I authorize the Parish and Diocese to contact and engage medical personnel and arrange for emergency treatment of my child, including transportation for medical, dental, surgical or hospital care or diagnosis, and I consent to that treatment for my child. I agree that I am financially responsible for such medical treatment.

4. Administration of Medication provided by parent/guardian of child: If my child needs to take prescription or non-prescription medication during this Activity, I have provided the medication in its original container. I give permission to an adult employee to administer the medication or assist in the administration of the medication to my child in the dosage prescribed by the prescription or, for non-prescription medication, the dosage recommended on the container by the manufacturer. If there are explicit instructions for this medication, I state them here:

5. Videotaping and Still Photography: Video and still photographs may be taken during this program. This authorization form constitutes permission for my child(ren)'s participation in the videotape and /or still photographs, which may be used for future promotional efforts, including the St. John Neumann and Diocese of Rockford websites, bulletin, and the Observer diocesan newspaper, and other flyers, posters, and/or videos.

6. Release: I hereby release and discharge the Diocese of Rockford and its Bishop, and the Parish, and the officers, directors, employees, and volunteers of same, from all claims for personal injuries or property damage that I or my child may suffer while my child is attending and/or participating in the Activity, unless the injuries or damage resulted from willful misconduct of the Diocese, the Parish, or its employees. If I have provided medication for my child to take during this Activity, I hereby release and discharge the Diocese of Rockford and its Bishop, and the Parish, and the officers, directors, employees, and volunteers of same, from all claims for personal injuries or property damage that I or my child may suffer as a result of the administration of or lack of administration of or assistance in or lack of assistance in the administration of said medication to my child, whether by my child and/or an adult employee and/or an adult volunteer; unless the injuries or damage resulted from willful misconduct of the Diocese, the Parish, or its employees.

Date: _____ Parent/Guardian's Name (please print) _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Religious Education Family – Covenant of Expectations

St. John Neumann feels it important to state these expectations so that we all recognize the dignity inherent in each of us.

Rights of Religious Education Families (including Students, Parents, Volunteers, and Staff)

Each person in our parish family has the right to:

- Be treated in a manner that exemplifies Christ’s command to “love one another.”
- Be treated respectfully by each other.
- Grow in faith in a caring and positive atmosphere.
- Receive support when needed.
- Expect that the parish will provide a strong faith-based curriculum.
- Work with others who come to class prepared for each lesson.
- Have every opportunity to excel in a safe environment.

Responsibilities of Religious Education Families (including Students, Parents, Volunteers, and Staff)

Each person in our parish family has the responsibility to:

- Treat others in a manner that exemplifies Christ’s command to “love one another.”
- Show respect to each other by using good manners.
- Contribute to a caring and positive environment.
- Seek support in an honest and appropriate manner.
- Approach each lesson with a willingness to learn and grow in faith.
- Come to class prepared for each lesson.
- Volunteers and staff commit to complying with the safe environment requirements of the Diocese of Rockford.
- Abide, to the best of our abilities, by the Precepts of the Catholic Church (the minimum in prayer and living a moral life):
 - Attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation
 - Confess serious sin at least once a year
 - Receive Holy Communion at least once a year during the Easter season
 - Observe days of fast and abstinence
 - Provide for the needs of the Church
- Abide by the Religious Education program expectations and policies (see the Family Handbook posted on our web site).

Student Code of Conduct

Each catechist will discuss with students the specific behavioral expectations for their class. Most misbehavior will be addressed at the classroom level. Catechists will contact parents and RE Office staff if the student’s behavior impacts classroom instruction. If a student’s behavior continues to impact the class, the RE Office staff may choose to meet with student or with the catechists, parents, and student in a dialogue.

Behaviors that negatively impact instruction include, but are not limited to:

- Disrespectful and rude behavior.
- Use of foul or inappropriate language.
- Refusal to comply with instructions from catechists or staff.
- Being in any parish space or leaving parish grounds without permission.
- Using cell phones or other electronics in a manner that detracts from the learning or prayer situation.

More serious infractions can result in required meetings between RE Office staff and the Pastor and parents, students, and catechist, or can result in movement from an on-site class to the home study program. These infractions include but are not limited to:

- Bullying, fighting, threatening or harassing
- Vandalism of parish property, stealing, smoking, using drugs or alcohol
- Possession of drugs or alcohol on parish grounds
- Possession of a weapon on church grounds or at parish sponsored events

Date: _____ Parent/Guardian’s Name (please print) _____

Parent/Guardian’s Signature: _____

As parent/guardian, I have reviewed these expectations with my family.

Tuition and Fees Worksheet

Family Name: _____ Date: _____

Religious Education Tuition and Fees

- **RE Material Fee.** (Fee is per child enrolled).....\$25 per student X _____ = _____
- **Bible Fee.** (Grades 5-8 must own the *Break Through Bible*, St. Mary's Press) ...\$25 per student X _____ = _____
- **Sacramental Material Fee.** (Per child enrolled in the grades below)\$25 per student X _____ = _____
 - Grade 2 or Sacraments Class (For Reconciliation/1st Communion)
 - Grade 8 or High School (For Confirmation)
- **RE Late Fee.** Include with all registrations for Religious Education after June 3, 2019.....\$30 Late Fee = _____

Fee Total = _____

- **Tuition for On-site Religious Education Classes.**
 - One Student - \$140; Two Students - \$235; Three plus - \$300

On-site Class Tuition Total = _____
- **Tuition for Home Study Religious Education.**
 - One Student - \$70; Two Students - \$117; Three plus - \$153

Home Study Tuition Total = _____

Religious Education Total = _____

Youth Ministry Fees

(Late fee does not apply)

- **Middle School Ministry.**\$50 per student (or \$5 per session with approx. 18 sessions) X _____ = _____
- **High School Ministry.**\$100 per student X _____ = _____

Your registration is not complete until: (1) all paperwork is received; (2) payment of at least your fees for 2019-2020 is submitted; and (3) all balances from previous years have been paid in full.

Grand Total = _____

Payment Submitted = _____

Payment Made Via (choose one box):

Balance Due = _____

- Online at www.osvonlinegiving.com/225.
- Check made out to St. John Neumann.
- Cash. The parish cannot make change for cash payments.

Choose One Box:

- I have paid my balance due in full.
- I have paid the fees or made a partial payment. My remaining balance will be paid in monthly installments of \$_____ per month.
- I have paid the fees. My family is experiencing financial hardship. Please send me information regarding financial assistance for this year's tuition.

We cannot accept registration packets via email. Submit forms via our web site, or print and return them to: Religious Education Office, St. John Neumann Church, 2900 E. Main Street, Saint Charles, IL 60174. For information: dpacione@sjnstcharles.org; (630) 377-2803.

*Thank you
for registering your
children for
youth faith formation.
We look forward to
journeying with
your family!*