## 2024-2025 Faith Formation Program for 1st - 6th Grade

## 1<sup>st</sup> Component: Regular weekly Sunday Mass attendance

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Component: Required Parent Orientation Meeting

This required orientation meeting will be held once on Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 at 7 pm. If you miss this meeting, it will have to be made up before your child can begin the program.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Component: Meetings

Faith Formation for children starting 1st Grade in September 2024 will take place on Sundays from 9:25am to 10:25am. This meeting time provides flexibility to attend the Sunday 8:30am Mass before the meeting or the 10:30am Mass after the meeting. The 1st Grade program will be a first 'dive' into what the Sacrifice of the Holy Mass is as well as all its different parts. The children will learn the different prayers and responses the assembly participates in during the celebration of the Holy Mass as well as spending time reading and being catechized on the readings for that Sunday's Mass. We hope to give our youngest Faith Formation children an aid to start to appreciate the gift of the Holy Mass and the richness of it, in preparation for their 2nd Grade formation the following year during which they will receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Eucharist.

Faith Formation for children starting 2<sup>nd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade in September 2024 will take place on Wednesdays from 3:45pm to 5:00pm. They will be divided by grades to receive instruction and catechesis from their assigned catechist. There will be special events that will take place during their regular Faith Formation time that will help to foster a sense of Catholic Community amongst them and bring to life different aspects of our Catholic Faith. A schedule will be provided for the whole year to be referenced often so as not to miss any events.