



St. Luke's
Faith Education
Team
wishes to partner
with your family
in
Raising Faith Filled Children!



*Children begin to grow in
faith long before they begin
to go to school.*

Parents: **You** are your child's first
and most important **Teacher**.

Parents have the freedom and
responsibility of choosing the kind of
religious education they want to give to
their children.

Faith education begins at home...

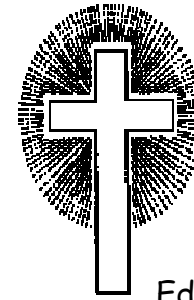
Teach your child by being a
good example, bring them to
church, let them hear the Bible
stories and celebrate with the
Community. Teach them their
prayers so that they will grow
up in conversation with God.

When your children enter Grade 1 we
invite you to register them in our Faith
Education program. During their Faith
Journey they will be invited to
celebrate the Sacraments of
Initiation: Reconciliation, Eucharist
and Confirmation. These sacraments
require several years of preparation.

The program focuses on:

- Helping and supporting parents in
developing the faith-life of their
children
- Presenting clear concepts of our
Catholic faith and doctrine
- Celebrating our faith through class,
liturgies, and pastoral activities
- Imparting an awareness and
understanding of the Sacred
Scripture and its significance on
Christian living
- Reinforcing, nurturing and
strengthening Christian values
- Preparing children for meaningful
reception of the sacraments

Please call
514-683-4941 or e-mail
faithed@st-luke.ca
for a registration appointment



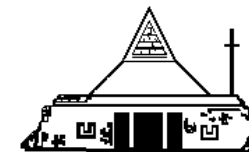
Registration packages can
be picked up from the
Parish office during
regular business hours.

Please call the Faith
Education team so that so that
a package can be prepared for you.

A yearly contribution is requested.
Please see the registration form for
our fee structure. Full payment should
accompany each registration (cash or
check payable to "St. Luke's Parish").
Families with financial concerns are
asked to talk to someone in the
Education Office. Confidentiality will
be respected.

A baptismal certificate is required as
well as a small photograph of your
child.

*Please help us inform as many
families as possible by sharing this
information with friends and
neighbors.*



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Registration in the *Faith & Family* Catechism Program has the expectation that **your household and your child** will participate actively and responsibly in their faith journey.

Our catechism program relies on your collaboration.

The family is our first community and the most basic way in which we discover the meaning of life and the meaning of our faith.

The church believes in working in partnership with the family to bring forth a meaningful faith journey. With the help of many volunteers, we promise to bring Jesus to your children with love, faith and integrity.



Mass

One of the best ways to make this faith journey meaningful is to celebrate the Mass together as a family. Mass attendance is an obligation we take on as baptized people. When we bring our children to be baptized, we promise to raise them in the faith. Going to Mass is part of this commitment.

For that reason, parents are expected to attend Mass on Saturday or Sunday.

(Mass celebrated on Saturday after 5:00 pm is considered a "Sunday" Mass.)

Mass Schedule

English Mass

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am
Sunday 12:30pm



French Mass

Sunday 10:45 am



Catechism program

"Leaning as a Family"

This program allows the family to be the first educators of the faith to their child with the parish offering faith enrichment workshops to parents as well as age-appropriate pastoral activities to the children. This program is complemented by the Children's Liturgy program offered during all our weekend masses from September to June.

Home programs are for Levels K, I, 3 & 4.



"Leaning in a Faith Community"

(Includes Sacramental Preparation years)

This is a continuation of the *"Learning as a Family Program"*. It is intended to help your child build community while completing his/her preparation for the reception of the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation.

Sacraments



First Communion

A child may receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist (First Communion) when he/she is completing year two of a catechism program. The second year of the catechism program is held at the parish.

Catechism Hours

Level 2 Wednesday 4:15 to 5:30pm or
Saturday 3:30 to 4:45 pm

Level 5 Wednesday 4:15 to 5:30pm,
Friday 6:45 to 8:00 pm or
Saturday 3:30 to 4:45

Level 6 Tuesday 4:00 to 5:30pm,
Friday 6:45 to 8:15 pm or
Saturday 3:15 to 4:45



Confirmation

A child may request to receive the sacrament of Confirmation when he/she completes the Level 5 program. The immediate preparation will be done in level 6.

High school students wishing to be confirmed must meet with the Parish Catechetical Leader to determine an appropriate faith journey – a two-year preparation is to be expected.

Children are expected to be continuously involved in the faith formation program from Level 1 to 6.

Our teaching tool for catechism is Faith First (www.faithfirst.com) and for Children's Liturgy we use Gospel Weeklies (www.pflaum.com).

Children's liturgy

Children's liturgy was created for the active minds and bodies of our children as a means of facilitating their understanding and enjoyment of God and His Church.

At the beginning of each mass (from late September to June) the children age 3 to 12 are called forward and led out to an assigned room. They return during the offertory song. All children are welcome and may join at any time throughout the year.

Our animators will help the children celebrate the Liturgy of the Word through:

- Prayer
- Reading of the simplified Gospel
- Discussion
- Activity, project, game, skit or songs

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