

Family Formation

Religious Education and Sacramental Preparation for school-aged children K-5th grades (and 6-8th grades for those in need of sacraments) as shared at Saint Albert the Great Parish, Reno, NV

Our program is family-based, which means students AND a supportive and engaged parent/adult **MUST** attend all class meeting times **TOGETHER**.

A supportive and engaged parent/adult is one that comes prepared to witness to their faith with not only their children and the other families at their fellowship tables, but in the adult share times as well and **remains in the gym and the church** for **ALL** the group activities. This also means that cell phones and other devices are **NOT** to be in use during our time together.

Our journey in the faith and relationship with Christ is **life-long (not just boxes we check off as we prepare for sacraments)**. Parents, as primary catechists in the faith, **MUST** be willing to grow in their faith and in this relationship along-side their children. Otherwise, we are confident our children will struggle all the more to see the **VALUE** in a life walked with Christ and within His Church.

By joining our Family Formation program, St. Albert the Great Parish's Religious Education department assumes that parents, guardians and supportive adults understand these expectations and agree to participate full-heartedly within them.

Please print and sign neatly and return to Religious Education office.

Yes, the _____ Family agrees to full and engaged participation within Saint Albert the Great's Family Formation Program as signed by this adult member of the family. _____ Date: _____

Family Formation Calendar 2018-2019

Please note, we make every effort to not conflict with our WCD school calendar.* One excused absence is allowed, and make-up expectations may be asked of our families in this situation. An excused absence would be for illness or a family emergency. Sporting events and practices are not considered family emergencies. We see this as an opportunity to evangelize in the world around us and let our coaches and extra-curricular events know about the importance our faith is in our lives. Missing more than one excused absence could delay the reception of a sacrament.

*Those on second year, sacrament track, do have a few other scheduled meeting times.

September: Parent and child attends from **6:00-7:30pm** in the gym
EITHER

Wednesday, September 12, 2018 OR

Wednesday, September 26, 2018.

You **MUST** register on the parish website prior to attending **ONE** of these evenings. Also, you **MUST** bring a copy that night, unless we have one on file, of your child's baptismal certificate.

Fees are due at this time. For registered parishioners sharing observable time, talent or treasure with our parish **for at least a year** fees are \$50 per child up to \$100 maximum per family. **There is an ADDITIONAL fee of \$50 for those families that are not active, registered parishioners.**

October: Parent and child attends

Sunday October 14, 2018 from 11:30-1:00pm in the church **AND**

Please pick up a name tag from Miss Beth when attending **one of our Masses during the weekend of October 20-21st AND** families are expected to participate in our **Parish Mission on OCTOBER 22, 23, 24, 2018.** Part of our class time will be to meet in gym each evening at 5:30 pm for Faith, Food (Dinner will be provided.) and Fellowship. We will end at 8pm in the church.

November: Parent and child attends

Sunday November 4, 2018 from 11:30-1:00pm in the gym

Wednesday November 14, 2018 from 6:30-7:30pm in the gym

December: Parent and child attends

Sunday December 2, 2018 Parish ADVENT RETREAT from 11-2pm

Families are encouraged to attend the 10:00 Mass first; "brunch" will be served.

THURSDAY December 13, 2018 from 6:30-7:30pm in the gym

January: Parent and child attends

Sunday January 13, 2019 from 11:30-1:00pm in the gym

Wednesday January 23, 2019 from 6:30-7:30 pm in the gym

February: Parent and child attends

Sunday February 3, 2019 from 11:30-1:00pm in the gym

Wednesday February 20, 2019 from 6:30-7:30pm in the gym

March: Parent and child attends

Sunday March 10, 2019 from 11:30-1:00pm in the church

FRIDAY March 15, 2019 STATIONS of the CROSS and Soup Supper 6-7pm in church/gym

April: Parent and child attends

Sunday April 7, 2019 Parish leading up to HOLY WEEK RETREAT from 11-2pm

Families are encouraged to attend the 10:00 Mass first; "brunch" will be served.

Wednesday April 17, 2019 from 6:30-7:30pm in the gym

May: Parent and child attends- Sunday May 5, 2019 from 11:30-1pm