

Holy Redeemer Catholic Parish  
Faith Formation Registration 2009-2010

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Welcome to Faith Formation at Holy Redeemer Parish. Please take time to review these forms and return them as soon as possible. Classes will be scheduled on a first-come, first-serve basis. **If you return them by April 1st, you will be entered in a drawing for FREE programs for next year.** This will cover all costs for all classes for your entire family! Don't miss this opportunity!

A complete registration will have:

- Individual Registration Forms
- Family Medical Release
- Family Registration for New Families
- Payment Invoice and Volunteer Sign Up
- Payment

*Note: All volunteers who could be alone with students, including drivers for retreats, chaperones, catechists, aides, babysitters, Summer Intensive helpers, youth group assistants, VBS team, etc, all **need to have background checks, attend Called to Protect (or renew training online--information pending, check the bulletin for updates), and review policies** prior to active ministry. Sign up by calling the office at 885-7780 or e-mail Mary at [secretary@holyredeemervanc.org](mailto:secretary@holyredeemervanc.org).*

*You will not be registered without ALL of the above.*

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February 23, 2009

Dear Parents,

At the time of your child's baptism, you indicated your commitment to the formation in faith of your child. This is a solemn obligation and promise that includes regular systematic instruction in the Catholic Faith for each child. As pastor of Holy Redeemer parish I am responsible for assisting you in the religious formation of your children. My obligation is partially fulfilled in providing a religious education program as well as supporting the local Catholic schools.

For planning purposes, it is essential that we identify how each family is going to fulfill this responsibility. We need to know which children are enrolled in various Catholic schools, which are receiving home schooling, and those who will participate in our regularly scheduled classes for children Kindergarten through high school. This is to be noted on the enclosed census form. Registration for our religious education programs is to be indicated on the registration form. We have scheduled three time periods for PreK through fifth grade, in order to adequately accommodate the total number of students in each of these grades. Please register as soon as possible in order to assure scheduling at your preferred time. This year it will be even more important as we will expand with the opening of the new church building. *Registration for First Confession and First Communion is indicated on this form, and is distinct from registration in regular classes.* Students enrolled in Catholic schools, who participate in these sacraments must register for First Sacrament program on this form. Immediate preparation for sacraments and their celebration are parish (and not school) activities.

Preparation for the celebration of confirmation is open to students who will be 16 years of age in late spring of 2010. The confirmation preparation program is in addition to regular high school faith formation. Students in the confirmation program must have completed one year of high school instruction and be enrolled in the second year of such instruction. The confirmation program is not designed to compensate for students who have been absent from regular faith formation programs.

Finally there is a volunteer form. I cannot say enough in appreciation of the volunteers who have worked with our children over the years. We have a very strong volunteer base, but as a growing parish our needs continue to expand.

In Christ,

Father Joseph P. Mitchell



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*Please complete a separate form for each member of your family that will be participating. Thank you.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in Fall 09: \_\_\_\_\_  
 School: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Baptismal Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sex: M / F Name of Parents With Whom Student Lives: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Registered with Holy Redeemer: Yes/ No (If no, then please fill out a family faith formation registration)

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** Label your first and second time choices; check the programs in which the person listed above would like to participate.

◇ Middle School Intensive (going into 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup>) July 27-August 7, 2009

Sunday 10:15-11:15 _____	Sunday 4:00-5:00 _____	Sunday 6:00-7:30 _____	Tuesday 4:30-5:30 _____
◇ Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (3yrs-5yrs)	◇ Preschool (3yrs-5yrs)	◇ 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Scripture	◇ Preschool (3yrs-5yrs)
◇ Kindergarten-5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	◇ Kindergarten-5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	◇ 10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Theology of the Body	◇ Kindergarten-5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
◇ Middle School Make-Up*	◇ Middle School Make-Up*	◇ 11 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Faith Topics	◇ Middle School Make-Up*
◇ Adult Catechesis	◇ Adult Catechesis		◇ Adult Catechesis

\*(for those who didn't come to Middle School Intensive or who would like reinforcement through the year)

Circle interest in other Adult Classes: Adult Scripture Study (Thurs 7-8), Love & Logic Classes (Varies)

**COMMUNITY LIFE:** Check the programs in which the person listed above would like to participate.

Elementary	Middle School	High School	Family	Adult
<input type="checkbox"/> K4J	<input type="checkbox"/> K4J Captain Tues. 5:45—6:30 <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Night Tues. 6:45—8:00	<input type="checkbox"/> K4J Captain Tues. 5:45—6:30 <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Night Wed 6:45—8:00 <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Ministry Planning Team	<input type="checkbox"/> M.O.M.S Group <input type="checkbox"/> Parenting for Peace and Justice <input type="checkbox"/> Home School Support	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior Women's Fellowship <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Activities <input type="checkbox"/> Young Adult Gatherings College—25 <input type="checkbox"/> Lenten Scripture Study <input type="checkbox"/> Marriage Enrichment

**SACRAMENTAL LIFE:** Check the programs in which the person listed above would like to participate.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> RCIA (Thursdays 7pm-9pm)              | <input type="checkbox"/> First Sacraments (2 mtngs. in Nov and 2 mtngs. in Feb, 2 half-day retreats) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> RCIA for Children (Sundays 4pm-5pm)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Confirmation (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday 6pm-8pm)                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> RCIA for Youth (Sundays 6pm-7:30pm)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Marriage Preparation (Schedule with Father)                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Infant Baptism (Schedule with Father) |  |

What should we know about you to serve you better? (learning differences, special challenges, things I am good at)

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**PHOTO RELEASE:** I, \_\_\_\_\_, parent of the youth named above give permission for Holy Redeemer to post any photos taken of my child on parish bulletin boards. Student names will not be published.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Faith Formation is important for learning about our faith. Mass reinforces and supports these efforts. It is the way we as Catholics have chosen to keep holy the Sabbath. Since you, the parents, are the first and foremost example of faith to your children, what you say and do will have a lasting effect. I pledge that my children will attend Mass each weekend.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature

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## PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

### Religious Education

- **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:** Geared for 3-5 year olds, this class provides young children a chance to learn about God's love and the Church. Use of hands-on manipulative key to instruction.
- **Preschool:** Geared for 3-5 year olds, this class provides young children a chance to learn about God's love and the Church. Traditional preschool setting.
- **Elementary:** Kindergarten through 5th grade explore the Catechism of the Catholic Church. This series is designed to facilitate family discussion by providing common ground each week.
- **Middle School Intensive :** Middle school is a bridge between being a child and being a teenager, so our model of catechesis reflects this challenge. Based on the document, *Renewing the Vision*, our middle school team works hard to incorporate solid church teaching with fun and hands-on activities. Two weeks of intensive learning, fun, and fellowship characterize this program.
- **Middle School Make Up:** For those students unable to attend during the summer intensive.
- **High School Religious Education:** Freshmen study scripture, Sophomores study Theology of the Body, and Juniors and Seniors study various faith topics.
- **Adult Catechesis:** Using the Catholic Catechism for Adults, participants will discover more about their faith in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. Topics will be designed to correlate with elementary topics and the liturgical year. Great for those who have been away from the Church for a while and those who come to Mass every Sunday.
- **Adult Bible Study:** This group is participant driven. They will choose a book of the Bible to study for next year at the end of this year's program. Books are typically \$10 each. They meet on Thursday evenings from 7pm-8pm. Babysitting is available.
- **Love and Logic:** Geared to help parents teach their children discipline in a loving manner, this class gives principles of positive parenting using natural consequences and adds structure to children's lives. Taught by a certified Love and Logic facilitator. Day and time vary depending on schedule. Sign up for more information.

### Sacramental Life

- **First Reconciliation/First Eucharist:** Classes are for parents only, designed to help parents—as the first teachers—teach their children about the sacraments. Father Mitchell will interview students before the sacraments. Students older than 2nd grade may need to attend the Children's Catechumenate. **Students must be identified for sacramental preparation on the registration form.**
- **Confirmation:** Our Confirmation program is a discernment process for young adults, typically 16-18 years old, spanning 7-8 months with 8 sessions and 1 retreat. Through much discussion and interaction with a chosen sponsor, a small group, and the whole class, students reflect on their own personal relationship with Jesus Christ and the disciple He calls them to be through the power of the Holy Spirit received during the Sacrament of Confirmation. **We are identifying now for celebration of the sacrament in Spring of 2010. One year of faith formation prior to and enrollment concurrent with the sacramental year is required.**
- **RCIA:** This class prepares those entering the church by giving a background of the Catholic faith. Childcare is available.  
**Thursdays 7:00-9pm**
- **RCIA for Children and Youth:** This program is for children/youth (7 years of age and older) wishing to be baptized into the Catholic Church. It meets **Sunday evenings from (3-5 grade) 4:00pm-5:00pm, (6-12 grade) 6-7:30pm**

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## PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

### Community Life

- **K4J (Kids + Jesus):** K4J is a dynamic elementary youth ministry that will spark your children's faith with fun vacation Bible school type activities! This once a month activity night will be lead by our adult team and the K4J Captains (middle school and high school students). At only \$20, this special night only costs \$1 an hour! Open to children 3 years old-4th grade, 5th grade students should talk to Megan if interested. Captains have planning meetings each week from **5:45pm-6:30pm on Tuesdays** and K4J will usually meet the **2nd Friday of the month from 6pm-8pm.**
- **Middle School Youth Night:** At Youth Nights we begin with social time and icebreakers. Then we have an opening prayer and proclaim the scripture focus for the evening then break into small groups. During small group time, youth have the opportunity to work with each other on a hands on activity relating to the theme and have a discussion based on the nights theme. Youth also have the opportunity to reflect by themselves. We close the evening in the large group with discussion, announcements and closing prayer. Occasionally we have game nights and socials. We have a yearly retreat and service projects are offered during the year. We meet on **Tuesday evenings from 6:45—8:00 pm.**
- **High School Youth Night:** At high school youth nights, we begin with social time and icebreakers. Most nights are topic nights which means, we focus on a topic that is relevant to teens today. We open our nights with prayer and brief discussion of the topic of the night. Next, we generally break into small groups for discussion and then share thoughts and ideas with the large group. We have occasional socials and game nights throughout the year. Service opportunities and social outings are offered through the year and we have an annual retreat. We meet on **Wednesday evenings from 6:45pm-8:00pm.**
- **Young Adult Ministry:** Our parish young adults (college age—25) gather monthly for fellowship. If you are interested in leading or participating in this ministry, please contact Megan for further details.
- **Adult Activities:** Meet monthly for a potluck gathering and meeting to plan and discuss upcoming activities for adults in our parish. If you would be interested in being on our planning team, please contact Megan.
- **Senior Women's Fellowship:** Our senior women meet weekly on Monday's at 11:00 am at the Parish Center for good conversation and refreshments. Our current project is knitting hats for Birthright. No experience is needed and we provide all materials. If you would like to knit hats but are unable to leave your home, we can bring materials to you.
- **Marriage Enrichment:** Married couples meet the third Saturday of every month from 7:00—9:00 pm in the Parish Center. We are a welcoming group of people who enjoy getting to know other couples in our parish. We join in fellowship with food and games.
- **Parenting for Peace and Justice:** Parents are our children's first and most influential educators. This group will allow you to come together with other parents to discuss, reflect, and pray about values of peace and justice related to parenting. We gather with a meal, opening and closing prayers or rituals, we share a children's story related to the theme and participate in large and small group discussions. This would be a commitment of five sessions (once a month) that focus on the following themes:
  1. Peace in the Family: Non-Violent Communication
  2. Simple Living and the Family
  3. Families that Care for the Environment
  4. Nurturing Respect for Diversity
  5. Living in a Global World
- **M.O.M.S Group:** Mom's gather together on a weekly basis to form a network of mutual spiritual support. We provide group experiences of learning, prayer and ministering to each other. We have opportunities for personal and spiritual growth and are enabled to increase our communication skills and the use of prayer rituals in our homes.

Contact Megan with questions about these and other programs at 885-7780 x16 or [communitylife@holyredeemervanc.org](mailto:communitylife@holyredeemervanc.org)

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Office Use Only:
Received: _____
Total Due: _____
Total Paid: _____
Ck #: _____

**FAITH FORMATION FEES:**

Programs	Cost per Student	Volunteer Discount Level 1	Volunteer Discount Level 2	# of Enrollees	Total
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd	\$25	\$15	\$10		
Preschool	\$25	\$15	\$10		
Elementary	\$30	\$20	\$15		
Middle School RE Supply Fee	\$30	\$20	\$15		
High School RE Supply Fee	\$30	\$20	\$15		
K4J (only PreK-4th grade, Not Captains)	\$20	Volunteering Required	Volunteering Required		
First Sacraments	\$10	\$10	\$10		
MS Youth Group Snack Fees	\$30	\$20	\$15		
HS Youth Group Snack Fees	\$30	\$20	\$15		
Adult Catechesis Book	\$25				
Confirmation (Includes One Retreat)	\$150	\$125	\$100		
Homeschool Support Group	\$20 (per family)				
<b>Total Cost</b>					

**See other side for volunteer opportunities  
 and the level for each position.**

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## FAITH FORMATION VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

2009-2010

*Please indicate which family member will be performing which ministry. Two Level 1 positions equal a Level 2 position.  
Single parent families receive the Level 2 discount with Level 1 volunteer positions.*

### Level 1 Volunteer Positions

<b>Religious Education</b> <b>Catechetical Aides</b> ___ Day/Time: _____ Grade: ____ ___ Service Project Coordinator Day/Time: _____ Grade: ____ ___ Attendance Helper Time: _____ ___ High School RE	<b>Youth Ministry</b> ___ Birthday Card Ministry ___ Baptism Day Card Ministry	<b>Sacramental Life</b> ___ Confirmation Retreat Cook ___ First Communion Retreat ___ First Reconciliation Retreat ___ First Communion Banner Prep.
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### Level 2 Volunteer Positions

<b>Catechist</b> ___ Babysitting Day/Time: _____ ___ Preschool Day/Time: _____ ___ Elementary Day/Time: _____ Grade: ____ ___ Middle School Intensive (Circle One) • Snack Coordinator • Small Group Leader • Games Coordinator • Babysitting for Volunteers (Must be over 18) ___ Middle School Make Up Day/Time: _____ ___ High School  <b>Elementary Community Life</b> ___ K4J Planning and Implementing ___ K4J MS and HS Captains' Leader	<b>Youth Ministry</b> ___ MS Youth Night Team Member ___ MS Food Service: Baker, Cook, Purchaser ___ HS Youth Night Team Member ___ HS Food Service: Baker, Cook, Purchaser  <b>Comprehensive Youth Ministry*</b> ___ Youth Ministry Planning Team ___ Advocacy ___ Catechesis ___ Community Life ___ Evangelization ___ Justice and Service ___ Leadership Development ___ Pastoral Care ___ Prayer and Worship  <i>*Please see an explanation and Job Description on our parish website.</i>	<b>Adult/Family Events and Opportunities</b> ___ Adult Activities Team ___ Pastoral Care ___ Parenting for Peace and Justice Leader ___ Young Adult Gatherings ___ Marriage Enrichment ___ Parish Picnic ___ Family Camp ___ Irish Feish ___ Sweetheart Mass and Dinner ___ Advent Fair/St. Nicholas Celebration ___ All Saints Family Fun Night ___ May Crowning ___ May Crowning BBQ
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Family Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Father: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

*I understand the following policies and agree to fulfill all requirements for volunteers. All volunteers listed above are required by the Archdiocese of Seattle to attend Called to Protect training prior to beginning ministry, have a background check performed, and sign off on recognition of the policies. Catechists will be asked to attend an additional training provided by the parish. If I do not fulfill my volunteer obligations, I understand my registration fee status will change and I will be billed for the difference.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature                      Date

We are unable to volunteer at this time and will pay the higher faith formation fees. \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

# HOLY REDEEMER CATHOLIC PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CENSUS 2009-2010

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Telephone: (360) 885-7780 website: [www.holyredeemervanc.org](http://www.holyredeemervanc.org)

*For **ALL** families registered at Holy Redeemer Parish—Please indicate how your children will be receiving religious education formation for the 2004-2005 school year. Even if you will be home schooling or sending your children to Catholic school, please fill out the census below. Information is used for parish statistics.*

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Unlisted? Y/N Best time to call: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### Student Information

Name	Birth date	Religious Education Venue*	Grade	Sacraments Received	Sacraments Dates

\*Venue: How your children will be receiving religious education training (ie parish programs, home schooling, Catholic school)

# EMERGENCY MEDICAL FORM

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Person with whom students are living \_\_\_\_\_

*In case of illness, accident or emergency to children of this family, Holy Redeemer Parish and its representatives are authorized to proceed as indicated below. (Please number each item 1, 2, 3, etc in the order of desired action you wish us to take).*

- Contact: \_\_\_\_\_, Day Phone # \_\_\_\_\_, Other Phone # \_\_\_\_\_
- Contact: \_\_\_\_\_, Day Phone # \_\_\_\_\_, Other Phone # \_\_\_\_\_
- Contact family physician \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_
- Take student to \_\_\_\_\_ hospital
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Medical Insurance Group \_\_\_\_\_

ID and Group Numbers \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name	Birth date	Last Tetanus/Booster	Allergies	Medications: name, dose, reason	Injuries, surgery, special health problems—information that would help emergency personnel care for your children

I authorize Holy Redeemer Parish and its representatives to use their judgment in determining emergency care and procedures for my children. I also understand and agree that the parish assumes no financial obligation for expenses incurred in carrying out emergency procedures and/or emergency transportation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent/Guardian Signature                      Date