



*St. Anthony Parish
Youth Formation Office*

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It is time to enroll your child/children in the 2012 – 2013 Youth Formation Program at St. Anthony Parish. Please refer to the 2012 – 2013 Youth Formation Registration Form for the complete list of days and times each class is being offered.

There is an important and exciting change for this fall! Grades four, five, and six will be involved in a pilot program for family faith formation. Families of these grade levels will meet once each month for a family program. There will be mandatory informational meeting for parents on Tuesday, May 8th at 6 p.m. in the Church Hall. We are looking forward to introducing family catechesis to St. Anthony Church.

The program for grades 1-3 and 7- high school will remain the same. We will still be using the Phlaum Gospel Weeklies and sacramental programs.

Once again, the 2012-13 eighth graders will be attending the Catholic Youth Spectacular in Bloomfield. The date is September 30, 2012. A bus will be provided. High school students are welcome to join us. The cost per child is \$35 which will be added to your tuition fee. More information will follow. Please watch your email.

The fees have remained the same. There is a family cap for fees. You only pay for the first 2 children; **maximum per family registration is \$150.00** (excluding late fees). For households that can verify a 2011 annual contribution to the parish of a minimum of \$150, your fee is **fifty dollars (\$50) per child**. In this case, the maximum fee will be \$100. Households that cannot verify contributions to the parish, for whatever reason, will be charged **seventy-five (\$75) per child**. A twenty five-(\$25) late fee will be assessed after **June 30, 2012**. All Registration fees are non refundable, regardless of cause.

Parishioners who may be facing challenging financial times may speak or write directly to Father Mark regarding their particular circumstances. If you need to make arrangements for the upcoming year, please call or write Father Mark as soon as possible so that your registration can be completed quickly. Please do not allow financial hardship to stand in the way of your child's faith formation. If you have a question about your fee, please contact the Youth Formation Office.

Our office has worked hard to make registration easier. You no longer will need to fill out a medical form for each child. There is now only one (1) family information/medical form per family. We will still need new student forms for those entering our program.

Schedule for Registration:

Registration will begin May 8th and is ongoing. Your current bill must be paid in full for the current year in order to register your child(ren) for next year. Also for your convenience, we are including a Family Statement with this mailing. Registration forms will be available in the Church, the Parish Center, and on our website for downloading at www.stanthonyprospect.org.

It is important to keep in mind that we try to keep the class sizes small. No class will have more than **12 students**. If you need a certain time slot, please register early. Classes will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. Registrations must be complete in order to be processed. **THERE WILL NOT BE ANY SPOTS HELD.** All class choices must be done through the Youth Formation Office; catechists cannot guarantee a spot in his/her class.

This year no registration will be accepted unless the current census has been filled out and returned to the Parish Center. We are working in the database required by the Archdiocese; the census is critical to keeping our records complete in our new database.

To complete your registration, please include:

1. Family Information/medical form.
2. New student registration form for any child just starting in our program. (Pink).
3. A Parish Census *if one has not been completed* (check with Katie or Carmelina if you are unsure).
4. Payment by check or cash.

You may complete the registration on the designated registration day or you can:

1. Return in person to the Youth Formation Office at the Parish Center
2. Drop in the collection basket on Sunday (mark envelope Attn: YF Office)
3. Mail to the YF Office.

As you know, the Youth Formation Program cannot function without our volunteer parents and parishioners. We have been very fortunate to have so many wonderful people volunteer to share their time and talents with our children. Volunteer opportunities this year include teachers, teacher's aides, co-teachers, and substitute teachers. Please consider joining our ministry by going to our website at www.stanthonyprospect.org or stopping by the Youth Formation Office to pick up a volunteer application or information.

The Office of Youth Formation is here to support you as the primary educators of your child's faith. If you have a need, concern, or idea, please feel free to share them with us. We welcome and value your input. Thank you for letting us help you in your faith journey with your child(ren).

God Bless,

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