Church of St. Anthony

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

"Cast yourself into the arms of God and be very sure that if He wants anything of you, he will fit you for the work and give you strength." Saint Philip Neri

Wednesday Night Programs Please reference the class schedule, included:

- We will be continuing with the **Family Faith Formation** model that we started last year. For this program to work, it is essential that parents attend this once-a-month event with their Kindergarten thru 6th grade children and be open and ready to do their best to complete the family home lessons sent home each month.
 - o If scheduling conflicts arise and you are unable to attend the monthly class at St. Anthony, that specific month, you are welcome to attend in Eden Valley with your family for that specific month. Notify the office (320-453-5765) and we can let you know the class date and make sure supplies are ready for you.
- The 7th-10th graders will meet for their faith formation classes at St. Anthony. (See schedule for exact dates).
- Grade 11, who are preparing for their Confirmation, will meet one Wednesday a month (6:30-8pm) with their parent(s). See schedule for dates and locations.
- Youth Ministry for 7th-12th Graders
 - Please watch the bulletins, emails, and text messages for opportunities to come together as "friends in faith".

Safe Environment Training: Due to diocesan requirements, all students will be given Safe Environment Training which will take place in September. If you do not wish for your child to participate, please contact the Faith Formation Office.

Registering: Please return the registration form and payment by mail, the Sunday collection, or in the basket at church marked "Faith Formation Registrations".

Registrations are due Sunday, September 3rd.

Baptismal Information: If you haven't already submitted baptismal records for your child/ren, we would need a copy of the baptismal certificate to keep on file. Please notify the parish where your child was baptized and ask them to send one to us.

Cost: \$50 per student, maximum of \$150 per family. Please submit payment with your registration. No child will be refused because of financial reasons! Please reach out to the Faith Formation Office to request Sponsorship by a fellow parishioner.

Faith Formation Communications:

E-mail: Email will continue to be the main source of communication. <u>Please be sure to include your best email on your registration form</u>. You will be emailed about any changes to the schedule and about upcoming events.

Volunteers: We have the need for more volunteers. Please prayerfully consider joining the Faith Formation Team – being a part of the program is a great way to grow in your own personal faith. Virtus Safe Environment Training and a background check will be assigned per diocesan guidelines.

Pictures: Pictures may be posted on our parish website or our Facebook page throughout the year – please notify the office in writing if you prefer that your child NOT be included in such photos.

Missed Anyone? Do you know of anyone new to this parish community that we might have missed? Please call or email Bonnie at 320-453-5765 or evwcatholic@gmail.com.

Contact the office if you have questions. We are all on this journey toward heaven together. Please remember the teachers, aides, families and students in your prayers throughout this year and know that your family will continue to be in my prayers!

God's Blessings,

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