

Faith Formation Parent Retreat: Orientation

2024-2025

“Parents have the first responsibility for the education of their children” (CCC 2252)

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Faith Formation Parent Agreement

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PLEASE SIGN AND SUBMIT BEFORE YOU LEAVE TODAY - THANK YOU!

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PARENTAL AGREEMENT

I understand the Faith Formation requirements for 2025-2025 and agree to participate:

NAME (print clearly): _____

Signature: _____

St. Joseph's Children's Faith Formation Calendar

2024 - 2025

| August '24 | | | | | | |
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| September '24 | | | | | | |
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| October '24 | | | | | | |
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| November '24 | | | | | | |
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| December '24 | | | | | | |
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| January '25 | | | | | | |
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| June '25 | | | | | | |
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| July '25 | | | | | | |
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 3:30-5pm Session
(1 day /week)

 Parent Retreat

 Holiday Week Off