

Dear PREP Families,

I hope your summertime was full of blessings and good family memories. We look forward to meeting all our **Parish Religious Education Program - PREP-** families on **Sunday, Sept. 11** at our first class for the 2016-2017 year. All classes are from 9:45 am to 10:45 am in the Fenmont Activity Center at 229 N. 3rd St. Parking is behind the Fenmont, in the church parking lot, on the street and some families park across the street in the vacant lots. Enter thru the front door.

Parents are asked to attend the first day of classes with their children. We want you to get to know their catechist and the other children in the class. Come to each of your children's classes to hear about the goals each teacher has for this year's faith formation.

Your child's PREP teachers and room numbers are included in this letter. The yellow calendar/schedule of the classes and a statement for PREP payments is included.

We ask each family to bring their children to class **on time each Sunday at 9:45 am.** Please discuss with your children how you can make it to class when it begins. Don't let your children miss out on opening prayer or activities. **In February, 2017 our Class times will be 10:30 am to 11:30 am due to the changes in the Mass schedule.**

Parents must pick up their children at the end of each PREP class in grades Kindergarten through 5th grade. Older siblings in grades 6 on up may pick up younger siblings from PREP Classes. Students in grades 6 through 12 may leave at the end of PREP class by themselves with Parent Permission.

We ask for **your help in getting families to register for PREP NOW!** Registration forms are online at www.stjulie.net and at the Church entryway and office. Please ask your friends and family if they received this letter. If they did not, they did not register yet. **WE WANT TO SEE EVERYONE BACK!** Learning about our Lord is a wonderful opportunity.

PREP Fees can be made in payments. There are volunteers in the PREP Office to take payments each week and write receipts. Ms. Maria Rodriguez will be take payments at the end of the Faith Formation meetings with our parents who speak Spanish each week. We never want a child to stop coming to PREP due to money problems in the family. Please call Fr. Mike or Mary Pat Austing if there are any difficulties.

Sacrament Preparation for those children who were in the program last year will include these parent meetings:

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION and RECONCILIATION: Sunday, Sept. 18 @ 9:45 am to 10:45 am ; St. Stephen Hall in Spanish and on the Gym Stage upstairs in English.

CONFIRMATION: Sunday, October 9 @ 9:45 am to 10:45 am; St. Stephens Hall in Spanish and on the Gym Stage upstairs in English.

September 25 - St. Julie Parish & PREP are having a guest speaker JEANNE HUNT – Raising a Moral Child. Jeanne speaks from experience in a very humorous and down to earth manner. Come and get some new skills and enjoy a few chuckles! We ask all PREP parents who understand English to attend in the Church from 9:45 to 10:45 am. The talk is in English only. Please plan on dropping off your child around 9:30 am that day to PREP classes.

Please call or email if you have any questions. If you need to communicate in Spanish, please contact Mrs. Pilar Hernandez 513-863-1040 ext. *852 voice mail and phernandez@stjulie.net. Thank you for your commitment to your children and to passing on the Catholic faith!

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