

Saint Anne Roman Catholic Church

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BAPTISM - 2ND GRADE THROUGH 8TH GRADE - SAINT ANNE SCHOOL

August 30, 2021

Dear Saint Anne School Family,

Each school year, we invite families of Saint Anne School whose children have not yet been baptized, or for whom the school office has no baptismal certificate on record, to Baptism and Christian Initiation. In fulfillment of Christ's mandate "Go, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them ..." (Mt 28:19), I invite you to prayerfully consider presenting your child for the sacrament of baptism this Easter Vigil, through which they will receive new life in Christ.

For children who have now reached the age of discretion (age 7 and older), in Grades 2 through 8, the Order of Christian Initiation of Children is the manner the Church invites us to prepare your child for the Sacraments of Christian Initiation: Baptism, and Confirmation, and Holy Communion.

In addition to the catechesis that your child receives each day throughout the year at Saint Anne School, you and your child are invited to participate in an Order of Christian Initiation. The schedule for these special catecheses will be once a month on Monday at the end of the school day in the Ghanem Gymnasium, from 2:55 PM - 3:45 PM. The schedule is:

- ❖ **Monday, October 4, 2021-Overview of the Order of Christian Initiation for Children**
- ❖ **Monday, November 1, 2021-Baptism**
- ❖ **Monday, December 6, 2021-Confirmation**
- ❖ **Monday, January 10, 2022-Holy Eucharist**
- ❖ **Monday, February 7, 2022-Penance**
- ❖ **Monday, March 7, 2022-Review – Sacramental Quiz**
- ❖ **Saturday, April 16, 10 AM - Easter Vigil Practice (with godparent / sponsor)**
- ❖ **Saturday, April 16, 7 PM - Easter Vigil (reception of sacraments of Bapt, Conf, Comm)**

All of these monthly catecheses require the participation of both the child and at least one parent. As you know, a child who is not baptized cannot participate in First Holy Communion, scheduled for Saint Anne School for Saturday in May. Please inform the school office by Monday, September 28th if you would like your child to be a part of the Rites of Christian Initiation of Children at Easter this year, and then participate in Holy Communion with their class in May 2022. I look forward to seeing you and sharing more details on October 5th. Thank you and God bless you, as we follow the Lord and become His disciples.

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Miguel Corral
Parochial Administrator, St. Anne