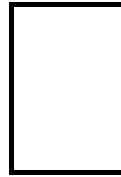


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**CATECHISM REGISTRATION FORM**

**Particulars of Child**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ B/C No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Church & Date of Baptism: \_\_\_\_\_

Church & Date of Holy Communion: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Catholic School  YES  NO Year/Level \_\_\_\_\_

**Preferred Catechism Class & Timing (Please number 1,2 in order of preference)**

**Primary:** Saturday  9.00 am - 10.15 am  10.45 am to 12 noon  
Sunday  1.30 pm - 2.45 pm

**Secondary 1 & 2** Sunday  9.00 am - 10.30 am (One timing only)

**Secondary 3 & 4** Saturday  4.00 pm to 5.30 pm (One timing only)

**Particulars of Parents / Guardians**

**Father**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact No: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (HP) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mother**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact No: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (HP) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Church / Year of Wedding: \_\_\_\_\_

Church Currently Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Marital Status:  Married  Separated  Divorced

Remarried  Annulled by Church Tribunal

\* Ballotting will be conducted if the total registration exceeds the class size.

Unsuccessful applicants will be allotted their 2nd choice when possible

**Please see overleaf for Requirements**

Date of Registration: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_



*(For Official Use)*

Documents Submitted:  Baptism Certificate (Duplicate)

First Holy Communion Certificate (Duplicate)

Transfer Letter

Admin Fee (\$10.00 Ten Singapore Dollars)

2 Passport Sized Photos

I hereby declare that the information given is true and accept the terms and conditions stated overleaf.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

## **The following requirements must be met for the child to be admitted into Catechism Class:**

In 2005, after a couple of years of looking at our catechetical approaches and structures, we as Catechist and the Parish Priest decided on the following goals:

1. What we want our Conf 4 confirmants to be (after 10 yrs of catechism):
  - (1) having a desire for God
  - (2) more Christ-centered
  - (3) more actively involved in the parish
  - (4) practicing our Catholic faith
  - (5) actively participating in mission work
  - (6) better relationships with family & community
  - (7) responsible for their actions
  - (8) positive role models
  
2. To achieve that, we catechists (right from P1) will facilitate
  - a. an **ENCOUNTER** with the Lord, so that the children will
  - b. **EXPERIENCE** God. We will
  - c. **ENGAGE** and
  - d. **EXCITE** the children, so that they
  - e. **OWN** their faith.
  
3. To engage & excite - we will encourage the children to
  - i) **THINK** and
  - ii) **QUESTION**, give them a 'safe' environment to
  - iii) **EXPRESS** their own views, be prepared to
  - iv) **DISCUSS** current events or life issues they are facing, have
  - v) **HANDS-ON** activities eg role-play, skits, art & craft, have
  - vi) **OUT-OF-CLASSROOM** activities, connect our lesson to a
  - vii) **BIBLE** verse for the children to remember, tell them
  - viii) **STORIES**, share
  - ix) **PERSONAL EXPERIENCES**.

The purpose of catechesis is to enable the one catechised to become a disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ full of fervour. Therefore catechesis is not for sacrament of confirmation or to receive the other sacraments. In this sense catechesis never ends.

Are these goals or vision of our own making? They are fully in accordance with the General Directory for Catechesis set out by Rome.

### **Our Expectations for Catechism Classes**

We have had children who have not gone for the Eucharist for 5 years and this is not an isolated case. Therefore we require that parents take their children for the Eucharistic celebration.

In the past we have had parents taking their children out of catechism classes after first Holy Communion and putting them back when they are in sec 1. We will no longer tolerate this mentality that catechesis is for the sacraments. It is of a great disservice to the children. For registration of students into sec 1, they must be able to pray the act of contrition and the Nicene creed by heart; recite the 10 commandments and beatitudes and have completed and have gone through the assessment of the Primary 6 Catechism.

We are having a shortage of catechist and class rooms. Some parents have scolded the catechist when they are reminded to be punctual for the class or for ending the classes late. This will not be tolerated. Anyone who scolds a catechist or gives a catechist a hard time will be asked to remove their children from the catechism classes. If you have any complaint against the catechist, you are to direct it to Parish Priest only.

Parents are required to attend and participate / organise in ALL meetings and activities according to the class/classes of their children as required. In the past, we have had many parents who claim ignorance. The forms of communication are the bulletin and the parish webpage. No parent will be excused for not knowing what is taking place in the catechism programme. You are required to check the webpage regularly.

## **General Requirements**

- 1) All Children must be punctual for classes. This is a normal requirement in everything in life. Courtesy must be inculcated in all. Any child that is late for class after a warning may be asked to go home.
  
- 2) All Children must have at least 80% attendance for promotion to the next level. This is so that they may have some basic knowledge of the topics covered. The attendance is taken to ensure that you know your child has turned up for class or not and that we too will know that you have kept them away from the classes for whatever reason.
  
- 3) All Children must have the correct Bible for classes.
  - a. Primary 1 to 3 - Children's Bible "My First Catholic Bible" by Natalie Carabetta
  - b. Primary 4 to Secondary 4 - "New American Bible"
  
- 4) All Children absent from class must produce a MC (if Ill) or Letter from School (for school activities).
  
- 5) All children must be properly dressed for Classes. (No flip-flops, sandals (including crocs), slippers and roller shoes, sports shorts, singlet, tubes, spaghetti straps, bareback, miniskirts & hot pants). Tardy attire tends to set the mood for a tardy attitude towards the class and lesson.
  
- 6) Handphones and/or electronic devices/games found to be in the hands of the child or USED during classes by the child will be confiscated.
  
- 7) All Children must attend all Camps, Workshops and Talks as it is part of the Catechism Curriculum.
  
- 8) All Children must attend Eucharistic Celebration Weekly.

## **Specific Requirements**

### **Primary 1**

- 1) Children must be able to pray the 'Act of Contrition', 'Our Father' and 'Hail Mary' by memory. (Interviews will be conducted)

### **Primary 2**

1. Children must attend Reconciliation at least TWICE in the year.
2. Parents are to attend talks on the sacrament of Reconciliation.
3. Parents are required to conduct sessions for the children with regards to the sacrament.

### **Primary 3**

1. Children must attend Reconciliation on a regular basis.
2. Children and Parents must participate in the First Holy Communion Family Program
3. Parents must participate in the First Holy Communion Neighbourhood Program for parents.
4. Children and Parents must participate in the First Holy Communion Neighbourhood Program for children.
5. Parents must participate and be involved in the First Holy Communion Preparation.
6. Parents are to attend talks on the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

### **Confirmation 1 to 4**

1) Have to participate in one church organization for 3 months per calendar year.

This is so that the teens will be exposed to the Church as a community.

2) Have to organized one church activity per liturgical year.

This is so that the children will learn to give and not always receive. This is done also for the children to have an awareness of what it means to be part of the Church.

3) Have to participate in one church organised social service event.

This enables the children to be known by the parish and become a part of the parish. Catechism which takes place up in the third floor tends to isolate the teens from the rest of the community.

4) Have to participate in one diocesan youth activity.

This is to enable the teens to have an awareness of what it means to be part of the diocese. Teens should become aware of the greater family of the Church.

5) Have to participate in one evangelisation / outreach programme.

To be a confirmed Catholic means to be ready for missionary work. The exposure is to prepare the children for their responsibility as 'adult' Catholics.

6) Have to attend two self-awareness programmes.

When these are organised in the future, they are meant to assist the children to better understand themselves and aware of the gifts that they have.

7) Have to participate in YSS when organized

Youth in the Spirit Seminar is to expose them to the Holy Spirit. This will be organised for the youths in the near future.

### **Confirmation 1**

1. For entry into Confirmation 1, teenagers must be able to pray the Act of Contrition and recite the Ten Commandments and the Beatitudes by memory (Interviews will be conducted)

2. To move on to Confirmation 2, teenagers will be required to sit for an assessment and have fulfilled specific requirements and have submitted their work on the Prophets.

### **Confirmation 2**

1. Teenagers must be able to pray the Act of Contrition and Nicene Creed by memory.

2. Teenagers must be able to recite the 10 Commandments and the Beatitudes by memory.

3. Teenagers must be able to explain the 10 Commandments and the Beatitudes.

4. To move on to Confirmation 3, teenagers will be required to sit for an assessment and have fulfilled specific requirements and have submitted their work on the Historical books.

### **Confirmation 3**

1. Teenagers must be able to recite the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and the Fruits of the Holy Spirit.

2. To move on to Confirmation 4, teenagers will be required to sit for an assessment and have fulfilled specific requirements and have submitted their work on the Gospels.

### **Confirmation 4**

To be confirmed:

1. The teenagers have to have attended all confirmation camps.

2. Have completed their attachments.

3. Have the report from the godparents, ministry members, and youth mentors monthly.

4. Have fulfilled all the specific requirements