

**PARENTS,  
it's that time of year...  
REGISTER FOR CCD and  
SACRAMENT PREPARATION**



The church recognizes your role and responsibility as parents to be the primary educators for your children. Being a parent in today's world is an awesome challenge; as a church, we want to help you meet that challenge in a way that appeals to today's youth and their families. We believe that people aren't baptized to participate in programs; we believe we become Catholic by practicing *being* Catholic.

**Grades Kindergarten - Grade 8**

**Each Sunday, September 15th through May 4th, we will meet 9:30a.m. – 10:30a.m. in the Parish Education Center in the Parish Office. They will receive the Faith and Life Series books for in-class time.**

**PARENTS! Care to be involved even more?**

Nothing is more important than the example that you as a parent give to your children and the faith that you share with them. **We would love to have you share your faith in a larger sense by volunteering as a catechist, or aide. No previous experience is necessary; we will provide you with all the materials and guidance you need to be successful.** Please call Rob Rodgers for further information.

**TO REGISTER:**

**To register for Kindergarten- Grade 8, please complete the attached forms. You may register all the children in your family who are grades kindergarten through 8th using this one form. **Your registration and payment in full are due by September 15<sup>th</sup>. Completed forms can be mailed/emailed or dropped off at the Parish Office, or dropped in the offertory basket at Mass.** You will receive an email confirmation, including a login for the online course. **YOU MUST SEND US A CORRECT EMAIL ADDRESS****

Concerns please call Faith Formation Director Rob Rodgers 740-617-6953 or 740-453-3301 Ext. 125  
[roddgers@saintthomaszanesville.org](mailto:roddgers@saintthomaszanesville.org) to inquire about assistance; all conversations are confidential.

## **A SPECIAL NOTE TO PARENTS OF STUDENTS CONCERNING SACRAMENT PREPARATION**

### **First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation**

At Saint Thomas Aquinas Church, children typically receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of Holy Communion in the 2nd grade, and the Sacrament of Confirmation in 8th grade. Please note that we strive to adhere to the following guidelines for sacramental preparation (unless there are extenuating circumstances) to ensure that our children benefit from well-rounded religious instruction.

Any child who wishes to receive one of the sacraments for the first time should have completed at minimum one full year of formal religious instruction prior to the formal instruction in order to partake in Sacramental Preparation. For example, a child wishing to receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion in 2nd grade should have completed a full year of 1st grade religious instruction; likewise, a child wishing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in 8th grade should have completed a full year of 7th grade religious instruction .

Formal religious instruction may be through Bishop Fenwick or another Catholic school, an approved home school curriculum\*, or enrollment in our CCD faith formation program. With CCD, participation would occur during the 1st grade or 7th grade years via Sunday morning sessions and student should attend at least half of the year's sessions.

Further, during the year of sacramental preparation (2nd or 8th grades), the child must be enrolled in either Bishop Fenwick or another Catholic school or the CCD faith formation program in order to experience community and ensure consistent catechesis. With CCD, participation would occur during the 2nd grade or 8th grade years via monthly Sunday morning sessions and student should attend all in-person sessions. Also during the sacramental preparation year (2nd and 8th grades), the child must be registered and participate in our Sacramental Preparation Programs which may include additional sessions outside of Sunday mornings such as retreats, rehearsals, etc.

There is a separate, additional fee for sacramental preparation to help defray the costs of materials, supplies, receptions, retreats, etc. No one will be refused sacramental preparation due to financial difficulties.

**Registration for sacrament preparation is a separate enrollment process from CCD. If you have a child receiving a Sacrament the year, please also complete the attached sacrament preparation registration forms.**

**If you do not have a student receiving a Sacrament this academic year, you need only complete the CCD registration forms; you do not need to complete the sacrament preparation registration forms.**

**QUESTIONS? CALL ROB RODGERS AT 740-453-3301 EXT. 125**

\*A homeschool option must be discussed with the Religious Education Department no later than October of the current school year for Sacramental Preparation; curriculum must include resources on the diocesan approved list and follow the diocesan graded course of study.



**CCD - Parish School of Religion**  
**FAMILY REGISTRATION FORM**  
**for Kindergarten - Grade 8**  
**2024- 2025 FAITH FORMATION YEAR**  
*PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY*  
**COMPLETE ALL BLANKS AS APPROPRIATE**

**Deadline is September 15, 2024**

**FAMILY INFORMATION:**

**Father:** Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mother:** Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Maiden Name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Children live with: (please circle one) both parents / mother / father / other \_\_\_\_\_

**Parish to which the family is registered:** St. Thomas Aquinas \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address (REQUIRED – please print legibly):** \_\_\_\_\_

Email is our primary means of communication; please provide additional address for non-custodial parent if applicable.

**EMERGENCY CONTACT, OTHER THAN PARENTS:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**All Classes held each Sunday 9:30 – 10:30 in the Parish Education Center in the Parish Office Center.**

**Kindergarten Registration:** must be at least age 5 by 9/10/20, but may not necessarily attend Kindergarten this fall in regular school

Student's First & Last Name	Birth Date	Age	Gender	Baptized?/Year/Church of Baptism
_____	___/___/___	_____	M / F	No / Yes in 20__ at _____
_____	___/___/___	_____	M / F	No / Yes in 20__ at _____

**Grade 1 and 2 Registration:**

Student's First & Last Name	Birth Date	Grade	Gender	School	Baptized?/Year/Church of Baptism
_____	___/___/___	_____	M / F	_____	No / Yes in 20__ at _____
_____	___/___/___	_____	M / F	_____	No / Yes in 20__ at _____

**Grade 3 through 8 Registration:**

Student's First & Last Name	Birth Date	Grade	Gender	School	Baptized?/Year/Church of Baptism/Reconciliation & First Communion?
_____	___/___/___	_____	M / F	_____	No / Yes in 20__ at _____ No / Yes
_____	___/___/___	_____	M / F	_____	No / Yes in 20__ at _____ No / Yes

**Special Concerns:** Be sure to include medical needs such as allergies, medication or physical impairments.  
*Also include insights such as slow reader, very shy, trouble staying focused, etc.*

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

**Medical Consent:** *must sign one or the other*

In the event reasonable attempts to contact me or my emergency contact are unsuccessful, I give my consent for the administration of any treatment deemed necessary.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*parent signature* *date*

**OR**

I do not give my consent for emergency medical treatment for my child. Please take no action.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*parent signature* *date*

**Safe Environment Program Acknowledgements:** *must sign in both places to be enrolled*

I have read the Diocese of Columbus **Harassment Policy for Minors #5140.05**, the **Policy for Curriculum Support #4110.01**, the **Policy for Background Checks & Training #4110.1**, and the **Policy for Use of Social Networking Tools on the Internet #6142.3** as found on the Church's website, and I am confident I understand the content and purpose. I understand that it is necessary that any complaints be filed with the program administrator, pastor, or diocesan director of religious education.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*parent signature* *date*

I have read the Saint Thomas Aquinas **Waiver of Damages & Video/Photo Release** as found on the church's website, and I am confident I understand the content and purpose. I am in agreement with this policy.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*parent signature* *date*

Tuition for 2024-2025 Year

**\$35 PER CHILD**

Families of four or more

**\$25 per child**

*Make checks payable to Saint Thomas Aquinas Church, with "CCD" in the memo. Enclose with this registration form and return to:*

**144 North Fifth Street, Zanesville, OH 43701.**  
**Question? Call (740) 453-3301 Ext. 125.**

**PLEASE NOTE:** IF YOU HAVE A STUDENT WHO WILL BE PREPARING THIS YEAR TO RECEIVE SACRAMENTS, PLEASE ALSO COMPLETE THE ATTACHED SACRAMENT PREPARATION REGISTRATION PAPERWORK.

**Religious Education Department**  
**FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REGISTRATION FORM**

**2024-2025 FAITH FORMATION YEAR**

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

COMPLETE ALL BLANKS AS APPROPRIATE



**Registration deadline is September 15th, 2024**

CANDIDATE'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ City/State of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Has the candidate been baptized? Yes / No If yes, was the child baptized a Catholic? YES / NO

Church of Baptism (include City/State): \_\_\_\_\_ Approx. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: If the candidate was not baptized at Saint Thomas Aquinas Church, you must provide a copy of the candidate's Baptismal Certificate.**

**For assistance, please call the Parish Office at (740) 453-3301**

Candidate received formal religious instruction last year (2024-25 school year) through the following:

- \_\_\_ Bishop Fenwick School                      \_\_\_ St. Thomas Aquinas Sunday Morning CCD  
\_\_\_ Approved Homeschool curriculum        \_\_\_ No formal instruction was provided

**PLEASE NOTE: At Saint Thomas Aquinas, it is our policy that children participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation before receiving Holy Communion for the first time.**

I wish for my child to participate in First Reconciliation this year:    YES                      NO

If no, has your child already received First Reconciliation?    YES                      NO

If yes, Name of church where received: \_\_\_\_\_

If no, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**► I understand that classes are being offered for parents/guardians on the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. I also understand that a parent/guardian must attend the sessions on Reconciliation in order for my child to be eligible to receive Reconciliation for the first time, and the sessions on Communion in order for my child to be eligible to receive Holy Communion for the first time.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*parent/guardian signature*

**NOTE:** If a parent/guardian has attended parent classes within the past two years (2022-23 or 2023-24) for another child in the family, they are eligible to have these sessions waived this year. If this applies to you, please note:

Name of child for whom sessions were attended: \_\_\_\_\_ Year attended: \_\_\_\_\_

**FEES:** There is a **\$20 fee** for First Reconciliation preparation and First Holy Communion preparation to help defray the cost of materials and supplies used in our program. If a family cannot afford this fee, contact Faith Formation Director, Rob Rodgers at (740) 453-3301 Ext. 125 to request a waiver. No student will be refused due to financial difficulties. All requests are confidential. The Sacramental fee is due October 31, 2024.

**Religious Education Department**  
**CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION FORM**  
**2024-2025 FAITH FORMATION YEAR**  
PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY  
COMPLETE ALL BLANKS AS APPROPRIATE



**Registration deadline is September 15, 2024**

**CANDIDATE'S NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ City/State of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Church of Baptism (include City/State): \_\_\_\_\_ Approx. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Church of First Reconciliation: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Church of First Communion: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: If candidate was not baptized at Saint Thomas Aquinas Church, you must provide a copy of the candidate's Baptismal Certificate.**

**For assistance, please call the Parish Office at (740) 453-3301.**

Candidate received formal religious instruction last year (202 -24 school year) through the following:

- Bishop Fenwick School                       St. Thomas Aquinas Sunday Morning CCD  
 Approved Homeschool curriculum                       No formal instruction was provided

In order to be confirmed in Spring 2025, Confirmation candidates must have a personal desire to receive the Sacrament. In addition, the candidate must strive for regular Mass attendance, attempt to live a Christian life, and desire to continue to practice his/her faith in the Catholic Church. The candidate must also attend Confirmation Preparation classes offered by Saint Thomas Aquinas Church through our CCD program.

*"I believe that I demonstrate the above qualities and I will strive to fulfill the requirements of the Confirmation Preparation program to the best of my ability."*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*candidate signature*

*"I believe that my son/daughter demonstrates the above qualities and I will support him/her in sacramental instruction. I also understand that classes are being offered for parents/guardians on the Sacrament of Confirmation and I will attend these sessions in order to understand the process and fully support my child."*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*parent/guardian signature*

**CONFIRMATION SPONSORS:**

It is the role of the sponsor to see that the confirmed person acts as a true witness to Christ and faithfully fulfills the obligations connected with the sacrament. The sponsor must be at least 16 years old, be a fully initiated Catholic and not be bound by any church penalty. You may want to consider the one who undertook the role of sponsor (godparent) at baptism to be a sponsor for confirmation. A sponsor cannot be the parent of the candidate. If the sponsor is from another parish, a letter from their pastor indicating that they are registered and active in their parish must be provided to the Religious Education Office.

SPONSOR'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

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

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Sponsor's Church (including City/State): \_\_\_\_\_

**FEES:** There is a **\$25 fee** for Confirmation preparation to help defray the cost of materials and supplies used in our program. If a family cannot afford this fee, contact Faith Formation Director, Rob Rodgers at (740) 453-3301 Ext. 125 to request a waiver. No student will be refused due to financial difficulties. All requests are confidential. The Confirmation fee is due October 31, 2024.



Challenging young Catholics to love Christ and embrace the life of the Church through youth retreats and discipleship ministry.

Saint Thomas will be hosting the NET Missionaries again this year offering a youth focused time of engagement in living our Catholic Faith

**NET Catalyst Nights happen monthly at 6:00 – 8:30 in the Parish Activity Center**

Bring your youth 8<sup>th</sup> grade through Senior Year for an evening of fun, fellowship, for, and faith  
Contact Rob Rodgers for more information [rrogers@saintthomaszanesville.org](mailto:rrogers@saintthomaszanesville.org), call or text  
740-617-6953