

Returning to CCD adhering to Guidelines

St. Isidore the Farmer will hold both in person and online classes. Pre-K through 2<sup>nd</sup> will meet every other Sunday from 9:15am-10:45am while 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade will meet on the alternate Sunday mornings at the same time. Confirmation will be held every other Friday evening from 6pm to 7:30pm. On the weekends that class is not scheduled in person, there will be a 30-minute online class.

Mini-retreats are being held for Confirmation on August 28<sup>th</sup> and for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade First Communicants on August 30<sup>th</sup>. CCD classes officially start September 11<sup>th</sup>.

Pre-K through 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes will be held outside unless the weather is inclement in which case students will be in the social hall. Confirmation classes will be held in the social hall.

**Indoor guidelines:** Classes will be 1 hour and 30 minutes

- All classes will meet in the social hall so that windows can be opened to ventilate.
- Drop off will be AT the basement door to the social hall on left and right side of church. Your child must approach the class wearing a mask. **(except PreK).**
- Hand sanitizer will be at each entrance.
- Students will be directed to his/her designated seat.
- Seats are distanced 6 feet apart. At that point, they may choose to take their mask off **if** they remain in their seat.
- Masks must be worn when the child moves about the building **(except for PreK).**
- Teachers are to wear a face covering indoors at all times.
- Each child will have a baggie with their name on it with supplies...crayons, scissors, glue stick and will **not** be sharing the contents.
- Pick up is AT the basement door of the social hall where your child will be dismissed to you.
- The social hall is to be professionally cleaned once a week. During inclement weather, the hall will be used by one class Friday night and divided between 3 classes one Sunday and 2 classes the alternate Sundays so that at most 3 classes will be in the social hall at the same time utilizing 6 feet distancing. Tables, chairs, the floor and bathroom will be sanitized by the St. Isidore staff and adult volunteers before and after classes.

**Outdoor guidelines:** Classes will be 1 hour and 30 minutes

- Drop off your child at the Rosary Garden (statue of Mary by patio).
- Hand sanitizer stations will be set up at several locations.
- Social distancing needs to be at least 3 feet.
- Each child will have a baggie with their name on it with supplies...crayons, scissors, glue stick and will not be sharing the contents.
- Tables, if used, will be sanitized by staff and adult volunteers.

- Dismissal: It is **imperative** that the parent makes sure the *teacher* has signed their child out before leaving. In the past, parents signed their child out on a clipboard outside the classroom. This year, only the teachers use the sign-out clipboard to avoid parents touching the same pens and clipboards.

**Online Classes:** Classes will be 30 minutes

- Two VIRTUS trained adults will be online with the children.
- In the event that there can only be one compliant adult present, the online class must be recorded.
- Online classes are to be treated as if your child is in the classroom at church. *Good behavior still applies.*

**Parent Responsibilities:**

- You are responsible for assessing your child's health before bringing them to class. Do not bring your child if they are sick have been exposed to someone with the coronavirus.
- You are responsible for conveying to your child if you wish for them to wear their mask at all times.
- You are responsible for conveying to your child if you wish to discourage them from using the bathrooms.
- While children are in class, parents may pray in the sanctuary, socialize outdoors, wait in their cars or leave and return at time of pick up. Parents must adhere to social distancing guidelines and must wear masks indoors.

\*Note that these guidelines could change at any time during the course of the school year.

\*If the pandemic worsens and we are forced to move to an ALL on-line scenario, we will revisit class times.

COVID is moving us into an unusual circumstance and I hope we can all be patient with each other as we adhere to the ever-changing guidelines. We will do our best to maintain a safe environment. However, please understand that children will have less tolerance for adhering to the rules.

*Let us pray for patient and charitable hearts during these difficult times!*

*“The Church must be a place of mercy freely given, where everyone can feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live the good life of the Gospel.” ~ Pope Francis*