



SANTA MARIA del MAR

August 2017

God is Good! All the Time!

Dear Life Teen Parents,

Welcome to another year of Faith Formation here at Santa Maria del Mar Catholic Church. I am so excited to welcome your children into the 2017-18 Faith Formation Programs. If you still need to register your child, forms are available in the gathering area, and you can register online at www.smdmcc.org.

Included in this letter you will find:

- The schedule for your child's program (see back of this letter)
- An opt-out form for our mandatory class on Touching Safety

We will host a "Meet and Greet Orientation" on September 10, 2017 for all three programs. We will meet in the Parish Hall after all the Sunday masses. This is an opportunity to greet your Core Team, pay your fees, pick up your class materials and learn about all we have to offer our youth at Santa Maria del Mar. On September 17, 2017 our opening day, please bring your calendars because after the 5:00 pm Mass, we will have a parent's meeting in the church to go over the Faith Formation Calendar, our Parent Handbook and have you "Save the Dates" for our special events of the 2017-18 school year. We want all families to know how much you and your children are loved and supported by our Santa Maria del Mar church family.

This year, our opening day of classes coincides with our Parish Carnival. Please plan to attend as our Carnival team has decided to open the lunch early at 11:30 am for all of our Faith Formation families. Rides will begin at 1:00 pm so you may want to bring comfortable clothes and money for tickets and food. This is our opening of the school year party! It should be so much fun. Bring all your family and friends.

Please read the enclosed letter on Touching Safety. This is a mandatory class provided by our Diocese to help ensure your child's safety. You have the opportunity to "opt out" and must turn in the form enclosed by your letter's deadline. I am looking forward to a great year with your children. God bless and if you have any questions, please call the office at (386) 439-2791.

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