

St. Bernard Faith Formation Stewardship Commitment

Parents of children in our Faith Formation Program are asked to give a minimum of 4 hours of service to the program each year. We have a number of options below that include helping out here on site or from your own home.

We truly appreciate your time and appreciate the gift it is to our program

Last Name: _____ **First** _____ **Phone** _____

Catechist – (teacher)

We will train and assist you in any of the teaching opportunities listed below. Come learn, share and grow in your faith as you assist our children and youth in their faith journey.

Opportunities offered for teaching range from weekly involvement to a lesser amount of involvement

____ **Catechist:** Ministry Description: Prepare and present a weekly lesson to youth. Share faith under the guidance, support and training of our coordinator/director. Training provided and a onetime Virtus certification is required. Time commitment averages 3 hours per week, which includes preparation and Wednesday class sessions. **Tuition is waived for your children.**

Grade Preference: () I'm flexible () K-4 () 5-8 () 9-10 **Time Preference:** () 4:30pm () 6:30 pm

____ **Catechist–Substitute:** **Commitment: 4 times per year!** Ministry Description: Can you be available to fill in as a sub to present a prepared lesson to children/youth when a regular catechist is unavailable. Time commitment varies. (Training required and also Virtus certification required). **Tuition is partially funded.**

Grade Preference: () Flexible () K- 6 () 7-10 **Time Preference:** () 4:30pm () 6:30pm

____ **Catechist Aide:** Ministry Description: Assist lead catechist with the students, **grade K-6**, during class time. Little to no preparation necessary. Time commitment: Wednesday evenings. **Tuition is partially funded.**

____ **Youth Table Leader:** Ministry Description: Assist lead catechist for **grades 7-11**, by facilitating a small group. (4-7 youth) Training provided. A one-time Virtus certification and in-service is required. Time Commitment: 2 sessions a month. **Tuition is partially funded.**

Helper / Care for and assist others

It is fun to join in an event that is not ordinarily in one's weekly routine. If you like challenge and adventure while serving others, the areas listed below may be just what you are looking for. Rest assured that we will provide you with all the training, information or supplies necessary to carry out these events.

____ **Service Helper:** Ministry Description: Join with youth to do service projects in the community or during service weeks in class. Chaperone 2 service events during the year **This may not necessarily be with your child's class**

____ **Special Event Planner/Helper:** Ministry Description: At times, help is needed in a classroom or in planning or helping at special events, such as Advent/Lent..

____ **Vacation Bible School:** Ministry Description: Are you too busy to help out during the school year? Help out in any capacity with this summer's VBS. **Time Commitment:** 8:30 a.m–12:30 p.m., Monday - Friday, **June 11 – 15.**

____ **Babysitting:** Ministry Description: Babysit during Faith Formation on Wednesday evenings. Virtus certification required. **Time Preference:** () Wed., 4:15 – 5:45 p.m. () Wed., 6:15 – 7:45 p.m. **Tuition is partially funded.**

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Office Help / Creative Skills

Do you like to answer telephones, perform routine office duties, or use your creative juices to create bulletin boards? We offer you the ability to use your gifts, whether creative, administrative or both, to help in the areas listed below.

_____ **Office Help:** Ministry Description: Assist with office duties such as answering phones, filing and assisting coordinators during Wednesday evenings/computer work. Training and Virtus certification required.

Time Preference: Wednesday () 4p.m.-6p.m. () 6p.m.-8p.m. **Tuition is partially funded.**

_____ **Creative/Artistic:** Ministry Description: Decorate bulletin board/ hallways with different themes throughout the year. All materials are supplied. **Time Commitment:** 2 times per year.

Prayer

This is a great opportunity to connect with prayer. Copies of the basic prayers will be provided. These experiences will allow you to interact in a loving way while strengthening your own prayer life.

_____ **Prayer Helper:** Ministry Description: Be available once every other month to work with primary aged children, helping them to learn their prayers. **Time Preference:** () 4:30-5:30pm () 6:30p- 7:30pm

_____ **Prayer Partner:** Ministry Description: Your family is asked to pray for a specific child/youth receiving their First Reconciliation, First Eucharist or Confirmation. You will be asked to send a card of encouragement and be a guest at the potluck dinner with the child/youth that you are prayer partners with, just prior to their receiving their Sacrament.. We ask that you try to be present at Mass, the day the youth receives their sacrament as well.

Hospitality and Food Service

Do you enjoy cooking food and watching the faces of children and adults enjoying their meal? We have the ministry that is waiting just for you. Each Wednesday we serve delicious hot meals for many of our families . . . come join in the fun!

_____ **Cafe' Help:** Ministry Description: Assist head cooks in the kitchen preparing, serving and cleaning up.

Time Preference: Wednesdays () 4:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. or () 6:00 p.m. – 6:55 p.m.

Pick your preference: () September - December () January - April

I `m Not Quite Sure What I Want To Help With – Surprise Me!

_____ **I`m Flexible.** Call me and let me know what you need!

_____ **Flexible/ projects at home:** Ministry Description: Willing to be called at various times to accomplish special projects, such as baking, doing reminder calls or perform at- home tasks.

The best time to reach me is: _____ at telephone number # _____