

# 2017-18

Parish Religious Education Program  
First Reconciliation and First Eucharist  
EDGE Middle School Youth Ministry  
Confirmation Preparation

In keeping with our parish mission, the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish religious formation programs strive to convey the four-fold dimension of Catholic Christian education:

**Message:** teaching sound doctrine in a language and manner appropriate to the student's level of understanding;

**Worship:** developing within each child a personal relationship with God through prayer, devotions and the celebration of the sacraments;

**Community:** experiencing personal relationships of friendship, trust and love within the family and the parish;

**Service:** translating what is believed in the mind and felt in the heart into opportunities to serve those in need.

*Our parish religious education program here at SEAS rightly assumes and encourages the practice of our faith in the homes of our children and weekly attendance of families at Sunday Liturgy.*

*If children do not attend Mass, confusion arises in the child between what is taught and what is practiced.*

P.R.E.P. for grades K-5<sup>th</sup> grade and First Reconciliation/Eucharist preparation will be on Wednesdays from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. in the school, beginning on AUGUST 30. *See opposite page for sacrament requirements.*

*EDGE* Middle School Youth Ministry takes place on Mondays, from 7 – 8:30 p.m. beginning on SEPTEMBER 11.

CONFIRMATION preparation takes place on Sunday mornings from 10:15 – 12:15 beginning on SEPTEMBER 17. *See opposite page for sacrament requirements.*

**SEE REGISTRATION INFORMATION ON OPPOSITE PAGE**

# Registration 2017-18

Where: Parish Hall    Date: August 19/20    Time: After all Masses

## For:

- ❖ **PREP** Catholic Formation for Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> grade public school children.
- ❖ **EDGE** Middle School Ministry - for ALL parish youth in grades 6-8.
- ❖ **First Reconciliation/First Eucharist** See information below for sacrament requirements for public school children and youth.
- ❖ **Formation sessions are not a substitute for weekly Mass attendance. If youth do not attend Mass, confusion arises between what is taught and what is practiced.**

## ***FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST PREPARATION***

- Each child must have spent at least one year in a parish or Catholic school program immediately prior to registering for Reconciliation and Eucharist formation. **If a child has not had this formation, they will be placed in first year PREP. For children entering 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and up who have not received these sacraments, please contact Jayne Morris.**
- Parents are expected to attend all scheduled parent meetings, practices, and other formational activities.
- Class attendance is extremely important. Unless there is illness or other unforeseen event, your child is expected to attend all classes and other activities.

## ***CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION (for youth in 6<sup>th</sup> grade)***

Where: School Library    Date: Sunday, September 10    Time: 7- 8:30 p.m.

- Confirmation preparation for is for youth in **6<sup>th</sup> grade** (through 8<sup>th</sup> grade) who have had **at least two years** of formal religious education or Catholic school ***immediately prior*** to entering the formation process.
- Requirements for public school youth wishing to be confirmed are TWELVE SUNDAY MORNING SESSIONS beginning **SEPTEMBER 17** for immediate preparation for the sacrament.
- ***Youth attending public schools are required to attend EDGE Middle School Ministry as well as the Sunday sessions.*** Attendance at all sessions is extremely important. Unless there is illness or other unforeseen event, youth are expected to attend all classes and other activities. ***EDGE registration will be on August 19/20 after ALL Masses in the church hall.***
- Parents are expected to attend all scheduled parent meetings, practices, and other formational activities.

**Forms:** If you wish to have forms completed before registration day you may e-mail Jayne at [jmorris@cdlex.org](mailto:jmorris@cdlex.org) or pick one up from the table outside Jayne's office door in the hall.

**Fees\*\*:** (make checks payable to: SEAS)

- PREP and First Communion - \$50 per child (for all program materials)
- EDGE - \$40.00 (for all program materials)
- Confirmation - \$45.00 (program and retreat materials and Confirmation Reception)

**\*\*We never turn anyone away for inability to pay.**

**Contact Jayne Morris at [jmorris@cdlex.org](mailto:jmorris@cdlex.org) if you are in need of assistance.**