

PSR Newsletter

Annunciation Catholic Church



Welcome to the PSR School Year

Connecting Children to Faith through Community

On the evening of August 22, families attended a BBQ to kick off the new school year. Students met their new teachers and each other over dinner, then proceeded to classrooms to hear about the upcoming year and receive their new Annunciation PSR T-shirts. Ann Kelly, Coordinator for Religious Education for PSR, thanks everyone who attended. "I want to thank families for coming out and allowing us to assist them in faith education and faith formation for their children this year. The parents' commitment to their faith and the support of their children is such a testament to what Jesus calls us to, to be Jesus to one another and share his light," she says. Special thanks to Rick and Mariann Wedel who donated the food for the evening.

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SAVE THE DATE

Parents of **8th graders**:
September 20,
6:30p.m. Confirmation
Meeting, Seven Holy
Founders Parish

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ATTENTION PARENTS

Please be sure your
students wear their PSR
T-shirts to class
September 12.

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REMINDER

Class begins: 6:30p.m.
so please drop off
students by 6:25p.m.
Pick up: 7:45p.m. by an
authorized person



Upcoming Parish Events

Our second grade Catechist, Mrs. Brigid Kelley is active in the St. Vincent de Paul Conference and would like to invite you to the "Friends of the Poor Walk/ Run." This is a national event coordinated by the National Council of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. PSR attendees are invited to wear their Annunciation PSR shirts to the event.

This is a great opportunity for service, especially for our 8th graders who are pursuing service hours!

Date: Saturday,
September 29

Location: Nerinx Hall
Field, 590 Lockwood,
Webster Groves

Time: 9:30 a.m.
(Registration 9:00 a.m.)

Look for additional
details in the Sunday
bulletin.

Safety First

Our students' safety is our highest priority. The **Sign Out policy** was created to accommodate parents as much as possible while still ensuring the safety of your children when they are in our care. No student will be dismissed without an authorized sign out. Please refer to the policy in your folder for details of signing out different grades.

Absences: Please remember to call or email teachers if your student will be absent from class. To double-check everyone's safety, we will call home if a student does not arrive to class and we haven't heard from a parent. Your teachers' email addresses are included in your PSR folders.

Safe Touch Training: All classes will receive Safe Touch training this semester by a specially trained educator from the PSR Ministry Team. This training is age appropriate and designed to help children identify unsafe situations.

Drills: On September 5, classes will hold a verbal safety drill, in which students receive instructions on exiting the building safely. On September 12, all classes will conduct a safety drill. Please make sure your student wears their PSR T-Shirt this evening.

Choir News

Is your student interested in joining the choir? Rehearsals are at 9:30 on the mornings before Mass. All are welcome! Please contact Ms. Ursula Zielinski, the Annunciation music

director at zielinski4@sbcglobal.net and see your PSR folder for dates and more details.

Families invited to "Get Connected"

The theme of our PSR school year is "Get Connected." Ann Kelly is the new Coordinator of Religious Education for PSR. She has been involved in the PSR program for 8 years as a Catechist or Assistant for grades 3-7. One of Mrs. Kelly's goals this year is to help in any way she can to support children, families, and the PSR Ministry Team so everyone has a successful year of PSR and grows in their relationship with Jesus Christ. New student T-shirts share the theme to help promote unity and get everyone excited about getting connected. Students will be invited to wear these shirts at various times in the school year to help foster our sense of community.



Ann is thankful to Father Mike, the PSR Team and PSR Committee for all their preparation for the BBQ and year ahead. "This has been a team effort and I am blessed to be surrounded by so many committed to their faith."

THE PSR MINISTRY TEAM

Our mission is to promote a life-long relationship with Christ and His Church, for our children and our families. Please do not hesitate to contact any member of the PSR Ministry Team if you have questions. Names of team members and their contact information have been included in your PSR folders to help you stay connected.

Yours in Christ,

Father Mike Esswein, Pastor

Ann Kelly, PSR Coordinator

Dr. Tracey Handal

Rob Huster

Jon Ott

Marcia Riganti