

# Religious Education for Primary Students at Queen of Angels Catholic Church

**CLASSES BEGIN AT 9:15 AM  
AND END AT 10:15AM**

Queen of Angels Church has a long tradition of providing catechetical instruction for youth of all ages. Our program includes a class for Preschoolers and continues through Confirmation.

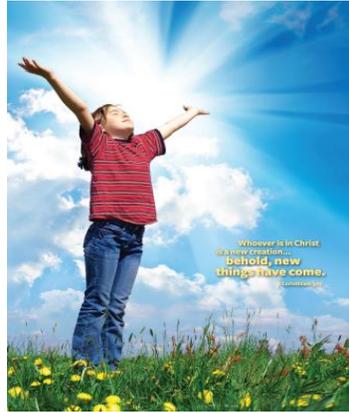
We honor the parents in our community as the primary teachers and models for their children. We provide a comprehensive, grade level specific catechesis, and our catechists are well formed, with a true passion for sharing our faith.

We provide a safe and welcoming environment for the students and offer many activities and opportunities throughout the school year.

It is also a great opportunity for you and your children to make more faith filled friends from all around Alpine

## ALIVE IN CHRIST!

The program we currently use is called “Alive in Christ” and is published by Our Sunday Visitor



Alive in Christ provides a trustworthy and comprehensive presentation of the Catholic faith and has been found by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops’ Subcommittee on the Catechism to be in conformity with the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

The program follows a systematic scope and sequence, organized around key themes of Catholic teaching that repeat each year, within a grade-level focus, building on the child’s knowledge of the faith at each developmental stage. This presentation of Catholic teaching—coupled with a purposeful emphasis on Catholic practices, images, and models of faith—promotes a common language of faith and builds a vibrant Catholic identity.

Visit their website at

<http://aliveinchrist.osv.com>

Classes are every Sunday beginning September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and continuing through May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 with the following exceptions;

October 8 – Parish Picnic

November 19 & 26 – Thanksgiving week

December 24, 31 & January 7 – Christmas break

January 14 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day

February 11 & 18 – Presidents Days

March 18 – L.A. Congress

March 25, April 1 & 8– Easter break

May 13– Mother’s Day

Religious Education classes will not be held on the above listed dates

### **Pope Francis Says:**

*Raising children calls for an orderly process of handing on the faith. This is made difficult by current lifestyles, work schedules and the complexity of today’s world, where many people keep up a frenetic pace just to survive. Even so, the home must continue to be the place where we learn to appreciate the meaning and beauty of the faith, to pray and to serve our neighbor.*

*Amoris Laetitia*

## WHY GO TO MASS?

"Mass is boring." "I don't get anything out of Mass — why should I go?" "Why can't I just pray alone?" These are common feelings, especially among young people but among many adults as well. How should we respond?

**"Do this in memory of me."**

(Luke: 22:19)

"By making himself broken bread for us, the Lord Jesus pours out to us all of his mercy and his love, renewing our heart, our existence and our way of relating to him and our brothers and sisters," Taking part in the Eucharist "conforms us in a unique and profound way to Christ, where with all the saints we will have the unimaginable joy of contemplating God face to face. We will never thank the Lord enough for the gift he gave us with the Eucharist, it's such a great gift and that's why it's so important to go to Mass on Sundays," Mass is a time "not just to pray, but to receive Communion — this bread that is the body of Christ that saves us, forgives us, reunites us to the father. It's beautiful to do this." Mass on Sundays is particularly important, because "it is the day of the resurrection of the Lord, and with the Eucharist we feel our own belonging to the church, to the people of God, to the body of God, to Jesus Christ."

*Pope Francis*

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We appreciate your commitment to your child's religious education and understand the challenges facing modern day families. The most important thing a parent can do is bring the family to Mass. Our school year follows the liturgical year of the Roman Catholic Church, and the children are taught about the different Mass colors and decorations, what the different seasons signify in the life of Christ, and the things we can actively participate in during each season. If the family is not attending Mass, they will miss these opportunities.

**THEREFORE, TAKE THESE WORDS OF MINE INTO YOUR HEART AND SOUL. BIND THEM ON YOUR ARM AS A SIGN, AND LET THEM BE AS A PENDANT ON YOUR FOREHEAD. TEACH THEM TO YOUR CHILDREN, SPEAKING OF THEM WHEN YOU ARE AT HOME AND WHEN YOU ARE AWAY, WHEN YOU LIE DOWN AND WHEN YOU GET UP**

Deuteronomy 11:18-19



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