

Faith Formation Program 2026–2027 Registration

Saint Paul of the Cross Parish

Saint Anne Church
400 Hoodridge Drive Pittsburgh, PA 15234

Elementary Faith Formation (Grades K–8) and Sacramental Preparation (Grades 2 & 8)

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Program Information

In-Person Sessions:

Monday Evening 5:30-7:00 PM
Saint Anne Church Campus

Home-Based Faith Formation

Families complete approved lessons at home with scheduled in-person meetings and sacramental preparation meetings. Dates for scheduled meetings to be determined soon.

Family Open House:

Monday, September 28th, 5:30-7:00 PM

First Day of Classes:

Monday, October 5th, 2026

A complete calendar, including holiday breaks, sacramental preparation, family events, and service opportunities, will be distributed prior to the start of classes.

Program Overview

Utilizing the Pflaum Publishing's "**Gospel Weeklies Faith Formation Program**," each session will reflect on the Sunday Gospel, seasonal liturgical and devotional topics, and teaching on Catholic Social Doctrine (i.e. works of service and charity).

Grades will be grouped into **six (6) learning cohorts** in the various programming spaces at the St. Anne's campus. Each session will begin with **Family Prayer at 5:30 PM** in the church before students are dismissed with their catechists. Students will return to the church by **6:45 PM** for **Family Prayer** and final dismissal at **7:00 PM**. Final drop-off and pick-up procedures will be announced soon.

For students preparing for the Sacraments of **Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation**, additional information and schedules will be provided.

Program Fees

- ☐ One Child – \$80
- ☐ Two or More Children – \$120

Scholarships are available. No child will ever be denied participation due to financial need. Please contact the Faith Formation Office for confidential assistance.

Payments may be made by check or cash in the parish office. Please make checks out to “Saint Paul of the Cross Parish.” We cannot process card payments. Registration forms can be picked up in the parish office or printed at home, and must be returned with payment by September 14, 2026. You can also fill out the online registration form on our website and send payment to the office by September 14, 2026.

Registration Information

Registration may be completed online or by using the attached form and envelope. Printed copies may be submitted to the parish office, left in the office mailbox, or placed in the weekend offertory. **REGISTRATIONS ARE DUE BY SEPTEMBER 14, 2026.**

Email is our primary method of communication. Please provide at least one current email address.

All information is kept confidential and updated annually.

If your child has any medical, physical, emotional, behavioral, educational, or learning needs that would help us better serve your family, please describe them on the registration form. This information is confidential and shared only with those who need it to provide appropriate support.

Volunteers Needed

Our Faith Formation Program depends on dedicated parish volunteers.

Please prayerfully consider serving as a:

- Catechist
- Assistant Catechist
- Substitute Catechist
- Classroom Aide (open to high school students as well as adults)
- Hospitality Volunteer (welcome families, help with dismissal, etc)

Parents/Guardians who serve as a Catechist, Assistant Catechist, or Classroom Aide receive a waiver of registration fees for their children.

For more information about volunteering, contact: Bella Fechter at ifechter@stpaulofthecross.com or 412-659-0458

2026-2027 Faith Formation Registration Form

Family Information

Please select the following that applies to your household:

- ☐ We are registered members of Saint Paul of the Cross Parish.
- ☐ We are registered members of another Catholic parish (*please indicate the name of the parish you are currently registered at*): _____

Parent/Guardian 1

Name: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____

Parent/Guardian 2

Name: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____

Home Address

Emergency Contact

Name: _____
Relationship: _____
Phone: _____

Payment Options (*please select one*)

Please select how you will submit payment to the parish office and do so by **September 14, 2026:**

- ☐ Cash
☐ Check made out to Saint Paul of the Cross Parish
☐ Request for Scholarship

Student Registration

Student 1

- Full Name (First, Middle, Last): _____
 - Date of Birth: _____
 - Church or Parish of Baptism: _____
 - Grade (*as of 2026-2027 academic year*): _____
 - Currently enrolled at
(*name of school or education program*): _____
 - Medical, Educational, or Classroom Needs
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Class Selection (*please select one of the following*):

- ☐ Monday 5:30-7:00 PM
- ☐ Home-Based Faith Formation
Sacramental Preparation
- ☐ First Reconciliation / First Holy Communion (typically Grade 2)
- ☐ Confirmation (typically Grade 8)

Student 2

- Full Name (First, Middle, Last): _____
 - Date of Birth: _____
 - Church or Parish of Baptism: _____
 - Grade (*as of 2026-2027 academic year*): _____
 - Currently enrolled at
(*name of school or education program*): _____
 - Medical, Educational, or Classroom Needs
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Class Selection (*please select one of the following*):

- ☐ Monday 5:30-7:00 PM
- ☐ Home-Based Faith Formation
Sacramental Preparation
- ☐ First Reconciliation / First Holy Communion (typically Grade 2)
- ☐ Confirmation (typically Grade 8)

Student 3

- Full Name (First, Middle, Last): _____
- Date of Birth: _____
- Church or Parish of Baptism: _____
- Grade (*as of 2026-2027 academic year*): _____
- Currently enrolled at
(*name of school or education program*): _____

- Medical, Educational, or Classroom Needs
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Class Selection (*please select one of the following*):

- ☐ Monday 5:30-7:00 PM
- ☐ Home-Based Faith Formation
Sacramental Preparation
- ☐ First Reconciliation / First Holy Communion (typically Grade 2)
- ☐ Confirmation (typically Grade 8)

Student 4

- Full Name (First, Middle, Last): _____
 - Date of Birth: _____
 - Church or Parish of Baptism: _____
 - Grade (*as of 2026-2027 academic year*): _____
 - Currently enrolled at
(*name of school or education program*): _____
 - Medical, Educational, or Classroom Needs
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Class Selection (*please select one of the following*):

- ☐ Monday 5:30-7:00 PM
- ☐ Home-Based Faith Formation
Sacramental Preparation
- ☐ First Reconciliation / First Holy Communion (typically Grade 2)
- ☐ Confirmation (typically Grade 8)

Media Release (*please select the following that applies*):

- ☐ I give permission for photographs or video of my child(ren) to be used by Saint Paul of the Cross Parish for parish communications, including:
 - ☐ Parish Bulletin
 - ☐ Parish Website
 - ☐ Social Media
 - ☐ Parish Publications
- ☐ I do NOT give permission.
Only first names will be used when identifying children.

Parent/Guardian Certification

I certify that the information provided on this registration form is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____