

ST. BRIGID RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

2022 - 2023 SCHOOL YEAR



Office of Religious Education

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SAINT BRIGID RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM MISSION STATEMENT

St. Brigid's Religious Education, under the leadership of our Pastor, endeavors to guide all children and teens toward a personal Relationship with Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit and God the Father. This program seeks to guide families to live out their commitment to God, and create a foundation of Catholic truth on which to build the rest of their lives.

We will accomplish this by:

- Providing a solid catechesis in the pillars of our faith, Creed, Sacraments, Commandments and Prayer.
- Assisting parents in the crucial task of teaching the Faith at home.
- Preparing students for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation.

At the heart of Saint Brigid's Religious Education Program are the volunteers who lead and assist classes for the children/ Students in our parish. This is a team of women and men who plant the seeds of faith in the next generation of Catholics, our children, and adults, who desire to continue spiritual growth Through faith formation.

After reading through this booklet, please sign and return the last page which states that you understand and accept the Requirements which are stated for the St. Brigid Religious Education Program.

SAINT BRIGID RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS FOR THE 2022 - 2023 SCHOOL YEAR

The Religious Education Program begins in September and ends the first week in May. Students come to class one day a week for 28 weeks. When the public schools are on a break, such as Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter there is no CCD class. The CCD Program is for students in grades 1, 2, 3, and older students who need the Sacraments of Penance and Holy Eucharist. The program Also includes high school students who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation upon completion of a two year program. After receiving the sacraments of Penance, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation it is necessary that on-going religious education continue for your child/student so they can grow in a deeper understanding of their faith and continue to develop a relationship with God.

In order for your child in grade 2 and grade 3 to be registered For CCD they **MUST** know the following prayers:

- The Sign of the Cross with words
- The Our Father
- The Hail Mary
- The Glory Be

You will not be able to register your student for class if they do not know these prayers, English or Spanish is acceptable.

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

Confirmation students need to know all of the above prayers and the following prayers:

- The Act of Contrition
- The Apostles Creed
- The Nicene Creed

Students need to come to class every week unless they are sick. Do not bring a sick child to class. Students can only miss 5

classes for the entire year. If your student will be missing a class you will need to call the office of Religious Education (559-583-6563) so a notation can be made as to the reason the child/student is absent. An excused absence is not counted.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES
ST. BRIGID CHURCH,
HANFORD, CA

Religious Education classes will be held Tuesday and Wednesday late afternoon and early evening. Classes will be held one day a week for 28 weeks.

Tuesdays - Grade 1 and grade 2 will meet 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Tuesdays - R.C.I.A Program meets 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Tuesdays - Adult Confirmation/First Communion Class meets 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Wednesdays - Grade 3 and Older students who will make their First Penance and First Holy Eucharist will meet from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Wednesdays - **CONFIRMATION CLASS** - year 1 and year 2 will meet 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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REQUIRED DRESS CODE

Students are coming to CCD class to pray and learn about their faith. Students should be dressed in such a manner that will not distract them from learning. When they fuss with their clothing, they are not focused on what is being taught.

Our bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, our clothes should represent the respect that we have for our bodies. When attending CC class, girls can wear slacks, skirts, or dresses. If wearing a skirt or dress, girls need to wear shorts under their dress or skirts. Some teachers have students sit on the floor and girls need to be sure they are covered. If these requirements are not followed, a warning will be given for the first offense. A second offense will lead to dismissal from the CCD program.

- no flip flops
- no spaghetti straps
- no leggings
- no shorts

Boys also need to be dressed appropriately for CCD class.

- no inappropriate graphic tee shirts
- no hoods or caps in class
- no flip flops
- no shorts

If your child is receiving the Sacrament of Penance, Holy Eucharist, or Confirmation the following dress code is required.

- no jeans
- no tee shirts
- no shorts
- no sneakers or tennis shoes

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

Boys are to wear dress pants, a nice shirt, and black shoes.

Girls may wear slacks with a nice blouse, skirt, or dress

SACRAMENT OF HOLY EUCHARIST:

Boys must wear black dress pants with a white shirt and tie, and black shoes.

Girls must wear a white dress, no spaghetti straps and flat white shoes. Wearing a veil is optional, no gloves.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION - year 2 students

Boys must wear black dress pants with a white shirt and tie, and black shoes.

Girls must wear a white dress, no spaghetti straps, and flat white shoes.

If you have any questions regarding the dress code please call the Office of Religious Education (559-583-6563) for clarification.

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SACRAMENTAL PARENT SESSIONS

2022 - 2023

SEPTEMBER 28, 2022 - Sacrament Parent Session - 6:00 p.m. in the church for parents whose students are preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation.

JANUARY 11, 2023 - First Reconciliation Practice, year 2 students during class time in the church.

JANUARY 24 AND 25 - Sacrament of Reconciliation - year 2 students - 4:00 p.m. in the church.

FEBRUARY 7, 2023 - Sacrament Parent Session - 6:00 p.m. - in the church for parents whose students are preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation.

MARCH 4, 2023 - First Penance Retreat - Year 1 and Year 2

MARCH 11, 2023 - Holy Eucharist Retreat - Year 2 only

MARCH 18, 2023 - Year 2 Confirmation Retreat

APRIL 18 AND 19, 2023 - SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - YEAR 1 (GRADE 2 STUDENTS).

FIRST EUCHARIST REHEARSAL - TBD (TO BE DETERMINED)

APRIL 29 AND APRIL 30 - FIRST COMMUNION

Parents will choose which Mass their child will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist. The parent's choice will be made ahead of time. Once a time is chosen, it cannot be changed.

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2022 - 2023 CLASS CALENDAR

The monthly class schedule is for all students in grades 1, 2, 3, and older students. Classes are held from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

- 8 CATECHIST IN-SERVICE**
- 13 OPENING NIGHT - PARENT MEETING - 6:00 P.M.
IN THE CHURCH**
- 20 Class - grade 1 and grade 2**
- 21 Class - grade 3 and Older students**
- 27 Class - grade 1 and grade 2**
- 28 Class - grade 3 and Older student**

OCTOBER

- 4 Class - grade 1 and grade 2**
- 5 Class - grade 3 and Older students**
- 11 Class - grade 1 and grade 2**
- 12 Class - grade 3 and Older students**
- 18 Class - grade 1 and grade 2**
- 19 Class - grade 3 and Older students**
- 25 Class - grade 1 and grade 2**
- 26 Class - grade 3 and older students**

NOVEMBER

1. **NO CLASS - ALL SOULS' DAY - HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION ALL STUDENTS MUST ATTEND MASS.**
2. **NO CLASS - ALL STUDENTS MUST ATTEND MASS ON NOV. 1ST FOR ALL SOULS' DAY**

8. **Class - grade 1 and grade 2**
9. **Class - grade 3 and Older students**
15. **Class - grade 1 and grade 2**
16. **Class - grade 3 and Older students**

Thanksgiving break NO class Nov. 22, 23, 24

- 29 **Class - grade 1 and grade 2**
- 30 **Class - grade 3 and Older students**

DECEMBER

- 6 **CLASS - grade 1 and grade 2**
- 7 **Class - grade 3 and Older students**
- 13 **Class - grade 1 and grade 2**
- 14 **Class - grade 3 and Older students**

CLASS RESUMES JANUARY 10, 2023

JANUARY, 2023

- 10 Class - grade 1 and grade 2
- 11 Class - grade 3 and Older students
- 17 Class - grade 1 and grade 2
- 18 Class - grade 3 and Older students
- 24 Class - grade 1 and grade 2
- 24 **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (YEAR 2 STUDENTS)**
4:00 P.M. IN THE CHURCH
- 25 **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (YEAR 2 STUDENTS)**
4:00 P.M. IN THE CHURCH
- 31 Class - grade 1 and grade 2

FEBRUARY

- 1 Class - grade 3 and Older students
- 7 Class - grade 1 and grade 2
- 8 Class - grade 3 and Older Students
- 14 Class - grade 1 and grade 2
- 15 Class - grade 3 and Older Students
- 21 **NO CLASS - STUDENTS MUST ATTEND ASH WEDNESDAY**

MASS.

22 NO CLASS - ASH WEDNESDAY - ALL STUDENTS MUST ATTEND MASS.

28 Class - grade 1 and grade 2

MARCH

1 Class - grade 3 and Older students

7 Class - grade 1 and grade 2

8 Class - grade 3 and Older students

14 Class - grade 1 and grade 2

15 Class - grade 3 and Older students

21 Class - grade 1 and grade 2

22 Class - grade 3 and Older students

28 Class - grade 1 and grade 2

29 Class - grade 3 and Older students

APRIL 2 TO APRIL 9, 2023 - HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

ALL STUDENTS MUST ATTEND AT LEAST 2 HOLY WEEK SERVICES:

- PALM SUNDAY**
- HOLY THURSDAY**
- GOOD FRIDAY**
- EASTER VIGIL**

CLASSES RESUME APRIL 11, 2023

APRIL

- 11 Class - grade 1 and grade 2
- 12 Class - grade 3 and Older students
- 18 Class - grade 1 and (**GRADE 2 - YEAR 1 SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IN THE CHURCH AT 4:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.**)
- 19 **YEAR 1 SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IN THE CHURCH AT 4:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.**
- 19 Class - grade 3 and Older students
- 25 Class - grade 1 and grade 2
- 26 Class - grade 3 and Older students
- 29 **SACRAMENT OF HOLY EUCHARIST - 4:00 MASS**
- 30 **SACRAMENT OF HOLY EUCHARIST - 8:00 MASS**
10:00 MASS

MAY

- 2 **LAST DAY OF CCD FOR GRADES 1 AND 2**
- 3 **LAST DAY OF CCD FOR GRADE 3, YEAR 2 FIRST COMMUNION CLASS AND OLDER STUDENTS IN CCD.**

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I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE CALENDAR,
CURRICULUM AND REQUIREMENTS FOR SAINT BRIGID
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR
2022 - 2023

PLEASE PRINT

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

NUMBER OF STUDENTS IN THE PROGRAM _____

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

Please return this form to the Director of Religious Education.

Thank you.