St. Matthias Parish

Sunday Morning Christian Formation Program

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Parent and Student Handbook 2021-2022

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St. Matthias Mission Statement

St. Matthias Catholic Parish is committed to continuing the ministry of Jesus Christ. We invite and welcome all. Come… live, grow, and be challenged by the message through prayer, formation, and service.

The Effect of COVID-19

Through monitoring the trends and collaboration with St. Matthias School leadership the following message has been relayed to the school parents and will be adhered to throughout our Formation year:

The CDC recommends that in areas of substantial community transmission or high community transmission everyone wears a mask when indoors including those who are fully vaccinated. As of 8/12/2021, Milwaukee County is in the high transmission category. Should the community transmission decrease to the moderate or low transmission rates, the masking policy will be re-evaluated in accordance with CDC and health department guidance. The Coordinator and Director of lifelong Faith Formation along with Parish Director Deacon Stan Lowe, will determine which covid policies the Faith Formation programs are following at any given time based on the current covid situation in the Milwaukee area. Families will be informed by email if it is determined that the Faith Formation programs should shift to a different operational structure.

Sunday Morning Curriculum

K4-6th Grade

The K4-6th Grades will use the *Finding God 2021* series. This curriculum is a teacher-led style of instruction that provides a solid foundation in the basics of the faith for our students. In these programs, each student receives a workbook that enables them to leave the class with a tangible record of their learning gains and engage parents to continue the learning beyond the classroom. You can find out more information about *Finding God 2021* by visiting this website: https://www.loyolapress.com/faith-formation/finding-god/finding-god-2021/

7th & 8th Grades

The St. Matthias Middle School Program is designed for the 7 & 8th grade students. The middle school students will use the *Catholic Connections Handbook* by St. Mary's Press. This series is divided into four sections, similar to the Catechism of the Catholic Church: Creed, Sacraments, Morality, and Prayer.

By registering your child for the Sunday Morning Program, you agree to the policies outlined in this handbook.

Admission Policy

St. Matthias, in its mission to bring everyone closer to Christ, takes its mission seriously by welcoming anyone to be a part of the St. Matthias Christian Formation Program. You do not have to be a parish member to join. That being said, the mission of St. Matthias is also strongly rooted in community. Families that are part of our program are encouraged to be actively involved here at St. Matthias through Mass on weekends and service opportunities throughout the year.

Program Policies

Attendance

1. Families are encouraged to attend Mass on the weekends. Please see the website and bulletin for Mass schedule.

2. Children's Liturgy of the Word (K4-5th Grade), which is usually offered on Sunday mornings has been postponed for the time being. You will receive updates when we resume Children's Liturgy of the Word.

3. Class will begin at 9:30 am and end at 10:45 am. Attendance will be taken at the beginning of class.

In-Person Classes

1. For all those families that have chosen the in-person option for classes certain procedures will have to followed upon entering the school buildings, during class time, and exiting the school buildings (and all of the hygiene procedures throughout the gathering time). Please see these procedures outlined below.
2. Families have the option of switching between in-person learning and the at home option at any point in time during the year. To switch you must indicate to the Director or Coordinator prior to the next session with an acknowledgement from the Director or Coordinator.

Health Screenings
Daily health screenings will be done: All students, staff, and visitors will have their temperature checked upon entering the school building or classroom. Families will screen students at home in the morning for any covid symptoms or exposure to covid.

Before arriving at Christian Formation each day students should be checked for:

- Fever (at least 100.4°F)
- Chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell

- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

Arrival/Dismissal

Three-foot distancing will be in place for all arrival and dismissal procedures.

To ensure the safety of all, the play structure MAY NOT be used during this time.

Arrival

1. Door opening and closing times:
    a) Doors will open at 8:45 am-9:45 am for arrival.
    b) Doors will open at 10:30 am -11 am for dismissal.
2. Entering the building:
    a) Students upon arrival for the 62' building (4th-8th), will line up three feet from each other (a volunteer will be there to help with spacing and temperature checks) to enter the building through the door labeled F1. After they have had their temperature checked, they can head into the building and into their classroom.
    b) For K4-3rd grade, the student will be entering the Beloit building through two possible entries. The atrium door (the area that links the gym and the classrooms) that is labeled A5 and the front entrance located on Beloit Rd., which is labeled A1. They will line up three feet from each other. A volunteer will be checking temperatures inside. Parents/guardians of children in the grades K4-2nd must drop the child off to their respective classrooms.

Dismissal

1. Students in the 62' building will be dismissed from the classroom by the catechists at 10:45am. Students exiting the building may head to their designated cars when they see them.
2. Students in the Beloit building, 3rd graders will be dismissed by the catechists at 10:45 am. Parents/guardians of students K4-2nd grade, will be allowed to enter the Beloit building (you will be screened for this entry) to pick up their child starting at 10:30 am.
3. If a student is heading to church after class please notify the Coordinator or Director where they are going.
4. Students not picked up by 11 am will be stationed at the lobby entrances for each building.

Masks are required at all times during arrival and dismissal. Masks will be provided to upon entry to those who don't have them.

Masks

1. In compliance with current recommendations by the CDC in high transmission areas and to minimize transmission **face coverings are required for all students, staff and catechists at Sunday Morning Program (K4-8th Grades).** Disposable masks will be provided no cost if the family does not have one. Masks must not display any messaging

contrary to our Catholic Social Teachings. Students must be able to put on and remove masks independently.

2. **IMPORTANT**: Parents/guardians will be required to pick up their student immediately if the student is not in compliance with the Christian Formation's mask policy. Students not in compliance will be held in the lobby entrance of the 62 Building or Beloit Building and supervised until pick up. Families requesting a waiver must contact the Director or Coordinator and provide documentation from a medical professional explaining the need for the waiver.

Social Distancing

1. Per the CDC: Social distancing, also called "physical distancing," means keeping a safe space between yourself and other people who are not from your household.

2. To practice social or physical distancing, stay at least 3 feet (about 1 arm's length) from other people who are not from your household in both indoor and outdoor spaces.

3. Faith Formation Staff and Catechists will practice social distancing throughout the gathering of Christian Formation. To assist students with distancing:
    a. All classrooms will have markers on the floor for physical distancing in the classroom.
    b. Students and catechists will be distanced 3 feet apart.
    c. All classroom and office doors will be open during the hours to minimize touching of doorknobs.
    d. Catechists will practice and enforce all required PPE guidelines.
    e. Hallways will be marked to indicate direction and to maximize distancing during any transition times.

Classrooms

1. All desks will be facing the same direction to reduce transmission of infection.

2. All classrooms will have a teacher-only designated area.

If a session needs to be moved to all virtual because of inclement weather, the Director and Coordinator will notify Channel 4, 6, & 12 on TV and their corresponding websites. An email will be sent out, and it will be posted to the Parish website as well. Please tune into one of these sources.

Handwashing

1. Handwashing will be a routine expectation when applicable. Students will wash hands at appropriate times (i.e., after using the bathroom) or when directed by the catechist. Handwashing protocols of the CDC will be stressed. When handwashing is not possible, students and teachers will use hand sanitizer. Hand sanitizer stations are installed in every classroom, hallway, and entry in all buildings.
2. https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/global-covid-19/handwashing.html

Cleaning/Disinfecting

1. The outside parish cleaning service will provide cleaning and disinfecting services. All touchpoints will be disinfected daily including doorknobs, tables, desks, and handrails. All buildings will be deep cleaned and disinfected. Catechists and students will develop classroom routines of ongoing disinfecting through the hour. Bathrooms will be disinfected after Christian Formation has ended.

Ventilation

1. All classroom windows will be open to assist with air flow until weather makes it prohibitive. Classrooms have fans to assist with air movement. MERV 13 filters have been installed in each classroom HVAC unit and are replaced regularly.

Hygiene Practices

Greetings will be limited to "peace sign" or nods. Students and staff will not hug, shake hands or use contact methods of greeting.

Responding

Confirmed COVID-19 or household member is confirmed with COVID-19.

1. Any St. Matthias Christian Formation child or catechist who test positive for COVID-19 or its variant strains, even if fully vaccinated, will need to quarantine for 10 days from the start of symptoms first appearing, be symptom-free for 24 hours prior, and provide the Faith Formation Office with evidence of child's negative COVID-19 test result and/or a release from child's healthcare provider.

2. Positive Cases of COVID-19 in one's Household
    a. Any **non-vaccinated** student, faculty and staff member living in a household with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 must quarantine for a minimum of 20 days from date of symptoms first appearing and be symptom-free for 24 hours prior to returning to Christian Formation.
    b. Any **vaccinated** student, faculty and staff members living in a household with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 may be required to quarantine for a period of time, based on the most updated information from the Milwaukee Health Department. These cases will be handled on a case-by-case basis. Regardless of vaccination status, any student, staff or catechist living in a household with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 must immediately inform the Coordinator of Lifelong Faith Formation.

3. **Close Contact with a COVID-19 Positive Individual**
    a. Close contact is defined as any individual who was within 3 feet of a COVID-19 positive individual for at least 15 cumulative minutes in a day. Students and their parents, staff and catechist who have been identified as a close contact will be informed, and the following protocols will be expected based on their respective vaccination status.
    b. Any **non-vaccinated** student, catechist, or staff who come into close contact with a COVID-19 positive individual, must quarantine for a minimum of 10 days from

the last known close contact with the COVID-19 positive individual and be symptom-free for 24 hours prior to returning to school.

c. Any **vaccinated** student, catechist, or staff who comes into close contact with a COVID-19 positive individual is expected to closely monitor her/his symptoms. Vaccinated persons may elect to seek a COVID-19 test but are not required to do so.

4. If a staff member, catechist, or student tests positive or lives with a person who tests positive, the parent/guardian of the student, catechist, or staff member **MUST REPORT it to the coordinator (or director if you cannot get a hold of the coordinator)** at:
    a. Brian Jens (Director)- 414-982-2406 or bjens@stmatthias-milw.org
    b. Peter Morello (Coordinator)- 414-982-2413 or pmorello@stmatthias-milw.org

NOTE: Any positive COVID-19 test will be reported to the Milwaukee Health Department and must follow Health Department guidelines for isolation and quarantining.

The following important link from the CDC provides detailed information about quarantining due to exposure or infection.
https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/quarantine-isolation.html

At Home Instruction

1. All families are given the option to receive religious instruction at home with their parents/guardians as their catechists. This option was included at the time of registration. The platform from which you will deliver your session is in your respective homes, or places that you can find solitude for the duration of learning time.

2. Families have the option of switching between in-person learning and the at home option at any point in time during the year. To switch you must indicate to the Director or Coordinator prior to the next session with an acknowledgement from the Director or Coordinator.

3. We ask for your patience throughout the year when it comes to at home learning and how to support this option. This is a process that we will we be continually learning to improve. With this being said, if you have any suggestions or feedback, please let the Director or Coordinator know.

4. For those families using the at home option they will need to create an account on zoom (as we are planning on having intermittent times where we gather as a group to check in and share an opportunity to grow in our faith). They can do so by going to Zoom.us. In order to create a link you will need an email and password.

Parent/Guardian Involvement

1. Your ability to model your faith will be how your child models theirs. It is our commitment to give quality support in your faith development. Below are some suggestions for ways for you to model and grow in your faith.

2. **Go to Mass**. If you need to recommit yourself this is a perfect time to do so.
    a. Encounter Jesus in the Scripture readings and receive Him in the Eucharist.
    b. Build the parish community.
    c. Reinforce your family's Catholic identity.
    d. *Livestream and recorded Masses will be available from St. Matthias.

3. Meet your child's Catechist through a medium you are comfortable using (in-person, phone, zoom).

4. Talk with your child about what they are learning. Ask them questions. Have discussions about their classes. Check the weekly newsletter for information on what they covered.

5. Get involved at the parish. Visit the St. Matthias website and look under the "Get Involved" tab (http://www.stmatthias-milw.org/get-involved/), look for opportunities in our weekend bulletins, and see communications from the Faith Formation staff for opportunities in the parish and Christian Formation specifically.

6. Adult Faith Formation Opportunities – throughout the year there will be opportunities for parents to get involved in Adult Faith Formation. Check the newsletter and bulletin for updates. **Please see the following link for more information: https://www.stmatthias-milw.org/faith-formation/adult/.**

7. The Parish Staff of St. Matthias can assist you in whatever way you need. If you feel there is a need for something in our parish that could benefit all families in the Christian Formation Program please do not hesitate to contact either the Director or Coordinator.

8. **It is highly recommended that all families regardless of the option chosen to create an account for Zoom and practice using it. Because of the unpredictability that COVID-19 brings we may need to, at a moment's notice, switch to all virtual learning. All of this will be communicated to families by the Director and Coordinator.**

FAMILY SESSIONS

While we were able to offer Family Sessions in past years we will not be able to do this in-person. Future opportunities may present themselves to meet all-together virtually. Please watch your email for these opportunities.

Sacramental Preparation

1. Students in 2nd Grade will start immediate preparation for First Communion and First Reconciliation. Parents will receive information on sacramental prep when it is put out.
2. If for whatever reason your child has not received Baptism, First Communion, or First Reconciliation and they are beyond 2nd Grade please contact the Faith Formation Office. We will work with families to help students get caught up in their sacramental preparation.

Cell Phones

1. **Students with cell phones are not allowed to use them during class. Cell phones should be turned off before the start of class.**

2. In cases of emergency where a student must have their cell phone on them a parent must indicate that to the Director or Coordinator prior to the start of class.

Communication

Communication is the cornerstone to keeping the program running smoothly. We have multiple ways of communicating, i.e. phone, email, website, etc.

Phone Calls – You may reach us at the phone numbers provided on the cover of this handbook. The phone numbers you provide allow us to reach you during the week or during the program if need be.

Emails

1. The email addresses you provide us allow us to send you information about the program and upcoming events. You can reach us with the email addresses provided on the cover of this handbook.

2. Weekly Updates
    a. Christian Formation – during the year you will receive weekly updates sent to all of the families within Christian Formation. In these updates you will see:
        - Information on what was covered in the previous class
        - Easy clickable links to different parts of the St. Matthias website
        - Upcoming Schedule
        - Parish Wide Events
    b. Advertisements – periodically, depending on what grade your child is in, you will receive emails for service opportunities and general reminders of upcoming deadlines/events.

Website

1. The St. Matthias Parish website is loaded with information about what's happening in the parish.

2. Everything for Christian Formation is located under the "Faith Formation" tab. If you have questions, check these places:
    a. Sunday Morning Program – information about the program.
    b. 9th, 10th, 11th grade Christian Formation – information about the high school program and curriculum.
    c. Formation Forms – printable schedules, service forms, handbooks, and parent forms.

Procedure for Communication

1. In order to provide everyone with the best possible program, the Director and Coordinator rely on the communication of the families to ask questions, express their concerns, or talk with someone if need be.

2. If you have a question or concern about your child's Catechist please contact the Director or Coordinator first.

3. If you have any questions or concerns about the program in general call or email the Director or Coordinator during office hours to discuss or set-up an appointment.

4. Contact Info
    a. Brian Jens – Director of Lifelong Faith Formation – can be reached at 414-982-2406 and bjens@stmatthias-milw.org.
        - Office hours are Tuesday – Friday, 8am-4pm and periodically in the evenings.
    b. Peter Morello- Coordinator of Lifelong Faith Formation – can be reached at 414-982-2413 and pmorello@stmatthias-milw.org.
        - Office hours are Monday, Wednesday-Friday, 8am-4pm and periodically in the evenings.

Behavioral Expectations

1. All students are expected to have a level of respect that is appropriate for their age.

2. Respect The Building/Church
    a. Students will be respectful of the buildings and classrooms they use.
    b. Students will demonstrate awareness of the place and situation they are in.
    c. Students will not deface, damage, or destroy any property of St. Matthias. Families will be responsible for any costs that are incurred.
    d. Students will be extra respectful, reverent, while in the church.

3. Virtual Learning Respect
    a. Students will have video on at all times.
    b. Students will remove any distractions (i.e. phone, TV, background noise, browsing internet, etc.).

4. Respect for Catechists/Director & Coordinator
    a. Students will display respect for their Catechists and the Director/Coordinator.
    b. Students will listen to the Catechists and follow directions when asked.

5. Respect for Each Other
    a. Students will display a high level of respect for their peers.
    b. Students will demonstrate good listening skills by giving full attention to what their peers share.
    c. Students will show respect for each person's background (where they come from, who they are as people, and where they are on their faith journey).

<u>Procedure for Breaking the Rules</u>

1. Any forms of misbehavior or disrespect will be addressed immediately.

2. If a student continues to have behavioral issues, parents will be contacted following the class to be made aware of their son/daughter's behavior.

3. If a problem persists, parents/guardians will be called immediately and will be asked to speak with the Director/Coordinator and student after class to discuss behavior.

4. If a parent/guardian disagrees with any action taken by the Director/Coordinator they may contact Deacon Stan Lowe, Parish Director, to discuss the situation.

Drugs and Weapons Policy

1. Drugs, alcohol, smoking and any drug paraphernalia are not allowed. If any youth is found with any of these substances the parents will be called immediately, and the student will be expelled from the program.

2. We hold a zero tolerance policy for weapons of any kind. If a youth is found with a weapon, in addition to the parents being called, the Milwaukee Police Department will also be called immediately.

Use of Parish Grounds and Facilities

Sports & Christian Formation

1. Students who are in the Sunday Morning Program and are members of St. Matthias are eligible and encouraged to play on the parish school's sports teams. Any interested participant is asked to contact the St. Matthias Athletic Director, Chris Rodriguez (crodriguez@stmatthiasmilw.org). Check the following link for more information, including online registration: http://stmatthiasathletics.org/.

2. Student's participation in St. Matthias sports is dependent on their involvement with the Sunday Morning Program. If you do not attend the parish school you must be enrolled in the Sunday Morning Program prior to beginning to practice or play.

Attendance Addendum

1. To ensure fair treatment and a consistent policy, students who are participating in athletics with the St. Matthias School and attending Christian Formation are held to the same attendance standard as other students.

2. If a student receives three absences, excused or unexcused, within the current season the student will be declared ineligible to participate in athletic games for two weeks. If a student exceeds three absences, excused or unexcused, the student will be declared ineligible to participate in athletics for the remainder of the current season. If a student exceeds more than nine total absences, excused or unexcused, with a given year the student will be declared ineligible to participate in athletics for the remainder of the year.

3. Communication between the formation and athletic offices are constant. If any special circumstances arise, final decisions will be made jointly by the Athletic Director, Director and Coordinator.

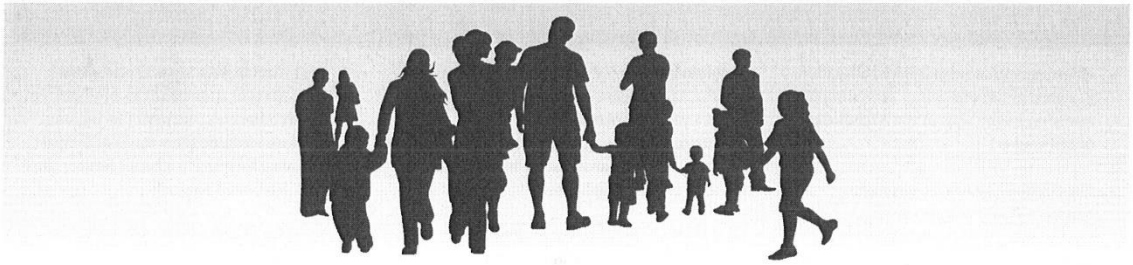
Safeguarding All of God's Family

Classes Required by Archdiocese

- The goal of the Safeguarding All of God's Family program is to protect our children and all in the church family from abuse and related dangers. To assist in meeting this goal, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee requires us to do a Safeguarding lesson with each grade appropriate for their age level. When this class takes place, you will receive notice in advance of the lesson date.

- This communication will indicate the time, place, and what will be covered in the lesson. Parents are welcome to attend with their child. A parent may also choose to have their child opt out of the class. If that is the direction the parent wishes to take, they must indicate that prior to class and will have to give a signature verifying their decision.

- For more information on the Safe Environment Office in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, including the Safeguarding All of God's Family program, visit https://www.archmil.org/archmil/Offices/Safe-Environment.htm.



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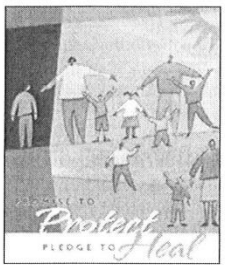

All efforts and programs in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee that relate to protecting God's children come under the umbrella of Safeguarding All of God's Family. As a faith-filled people, we respect and value each and every individual, as we are created in the image and likeness of God. The Archdiocese of Milwaukee is committed to creating an environment of healthy and responsible relationships where all of God's family will be able to work, live and play.

Maintaining Compliance with the Charter

For Children All children and youth in grades K4 through 12, both in day school and religious education, are required to receive safe environment education. This is NOT sex education. Because of the value and dignity of human life, it is important that we teach children and youth about personal safety, awareness and boundaries. As God's children, we deserve love and respect.

For Adults The following requirements must be met prior to employment or volunteer service:

- Safe environment education for all clergy and religious (men and women), paid personnel and volunteers.
- State and national background checks for all clergy and religious, paid personnel and volunteers, repeated at least every five years.
- All clergy and religious, paid personnel and volunteers must read and sign a form acknowledging they have received and read the Code of Ethical Standards for Church Leaders.
- All clergy and religious, paid personnel and volunteers must receive and read a copy of the Mandatory Reporting Responsibilities.

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The Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People

The Charter is a comprehensive set of procedures established by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops in June 2002 for addressing allegations of sexual abuse of minors by Catholic clergy. The Charter also includes guidelines for reconciliation, healing, accountability and prevention of future acts of abuse.

The Charter's policies and procedures were reviewed and revised in 2011.

ARTICLE 12

"Dioceses will establish 'safe environment' programs. They will cooperate with parents, civil authorities, educators and community organizations to provide education and training for children, youth, parents, ministers, educators and others about ways to make and maintain a safe environment for children. Dioceses will make clear to clergy and members of the community the standards of conduct for clergy and other persons in positions of trust with regard to sexual abuse."

ARTICLE 13

"Dioceses are to evaluate the background of all incardinated and non-incardinated priests and deacons who are engaged in ecclesiastical ministry in the diocese and of all diocesan and parish/school or other paid personnel and volunteers."*

*Volunteers are defined as those individuals who have regular contact with children and young people.

Initiatives and Actions Implemented by the ARCHDIOCESE *of* MILWAUKEE *since 2002*

- No priest with a substantiated allegation of sexual abuse of a minor serves in public ministry, in any way, in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.
- The Archbishop has a Community Advisory Board composed of representatives from various social services agencies and experts in the area of sexual abuse. The Board meets regularly, providing guidance in the Archdiocese's response to victims of sexual abuse by church personnel.
- All archdiocesan, parish personnel and volunteers are bound by the mandatory reporting laws of the State of Wisconsin. The Archdiocese of Milwaukee requires all adults to exercise reporting responsibilities for suspected abuse or neglect of a minor, whether or not they are designated mandatory reporters under Wisconsin law.
- Sexual abuse prevention training and safe environment education is required by the Archdiocese of Milwaukee for all archdiocesan and parish employees as well as volunteers who have regular contact with minors. More than 45,000 adults and 100,000 children have participated in the initiative.
- State and national criminal background checks are required for all adults, including priests and bishops, staff and volunteers who have regular interaction with minors in a Church setting.
- All employees and volunteers must sign The Code of Ethical Standards that clearly outlines expected and acceptable behavior. The Archdiocese of Milwaukee participates in a yearly on-site audit of its safe environment practices and procedures. Every year, the archdiocese has been found to be in full compliance.
- Religious order priests are subject to the same standards upheld in the Charter. When a religious order priest requests faculties to minister publicly within the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, that priest's superior is required to provide a statement verifying his suitability for ministry, including assurance that he has not been credibly accused of abuse of a minor, has undergone a criminal background check and has completed safe environment training.
- The Archdiocese of Milwaukee participates in a yearly on-site audit of its safe environment practices and procedures; including parish and school visits. Every year, the archdiocese has been found to be in full compliance.
- There is a whistleblower policy in place to protect anyone who makes a sexual abuse report from suffering consequences related to making the report.
- In 2010, Archbishop Listecki approved a policy for Social Networking. This policy outlines practices and guidelines to be followed in order to maintain healthy boundaries and safe environments in a virtual world.
- In 2011, Archbishop Listecki celebrated the first Mass of Atonement as another step in the archdiocese's journey of facing our sins, acknowledging the wrongs of the past and moving forward to a better future. This Mass is celebrated annually.
- In 2011, Safe Environment Week was established and designated as one week during April's Child Abuse Prevention Month so that all parishes and schools could simultaneously focus on abuse prevention and archdiocesan initiatives already underway.
- In 2012, Archbishop Jerome Listecki approved a policy for Overnight Trips with Minors. The policy addresses not only overnight trips with minors, but any function that might take place away from the parish or school.
- In 2013, partnered with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children with their Take 25 initiative and they also provided parish and schools with Online Education Safety Kits.
- In 2015, partnered with Catholic Mutual to create a user friendly safe environment platform that would incorporate all safe environment requirements in one location.
- In 2016, upgraded the Catholic Mutual safe environment platform, including adding Selection.com as a background check provider. Selection.com provides the highest level of due-diligence when screening employees and volunteers.

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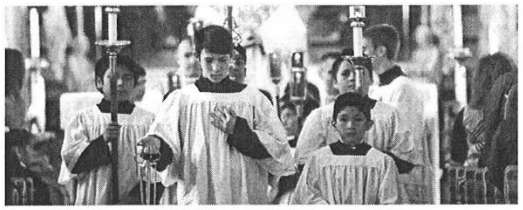

Keeping Children Safe from Sexual Abuse Policies and Practices of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee

The Archdiocese of Milwaukee makes children's safety a priority. The Church is different today because of the courage of victims/survivors who have come forward, told their painful stories and worked diligently to implement initiatives designed to protect children today.

For More Information

Learn more about Safeguarding All of God's Children in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee by visiting our Web site: www.archmil.org/offices/safeguarding

Obtain a full copy of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People from the USCCB's Web site: www.usccb.org/ocyp/charter.pdf

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2021-2022 Sunday Morning Program Calendar, K4-8th Grade
Classes are held from 9:30-10:45 am on Sundays
Families are encouraged to attend Mass on weekends.

September 2021
19th – Parent/Student Orientation 11:00 am-12:30 pm – Steiger Hall
26th – Mass & Class

October 2021
3rd – Mass & Class
10th – Mass & Class
24th – Mass & Class
31st – Mass & Class

November 2021
7th – Mass & Class
14th – Mass & Class
21st – Mass & Class

December 2021
5th – Mass & Class
12th – Mass & Class
19th – Mass & Class

January 2022
9th – Mass & Class
16th – Mass & Class
23rd – Mass & Class

February 2022
6th – Mass & Class
13th – Mass & Class
20th – Mass & Class
27th – Mass & Class

March 2022
13th – Mass & Class
20th – Mass & Class
27th – Mass & Class

April 2022
3rd – Mass & Class
10th – Mass & Class

K4-3rd grades meet in the Beloit Building, 4th-8th grades meet in the '62 Building.
Children in K4-3rd grades must enter through the front doors on Beloit Rd.
Children in 4th-8th grades must enter through 62 Building doors on parking lot.
For exact procedures for entering and leaving the buildings, please see the Parent/Student Handbook and the website.

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