

March 30, 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are planning Vacation Bible School for **Monday, July 11th through Thursday, July 14th** in the afternoons from **8am to 11am**. Our theme will be *An Adventure Through God's Great, Big, Beautiful World*. A registration form is included in this packet and postcard reminders will be sent in early June. Students in pre-K through 6th grade are welcome to come to VBS. Junior high and high school students are invited to come as helpers.



Our first day of religious education and youth groups for the 2022-2023 school year will be **September 14th** and the last day will be April 19th.

As always, we are looking for volunteers to help make our program great. Our volunteers work in teams of two with one person as the leader and the other as an aide.

We are using the same Gospel Weeklies program for religious education that we have used in the past. Each week the children hear and learn about the upcoming Sunday's Gospel and how it incorporates into their lives.

In order to help fund our religious education program, we have a \$20 per child fee to help cover the program and snack costs. This fee is waived for volunteers with children in the program and there are scholarships available for those families that need it.

All children are welcome to come to the Parish Center after school beginning at 3:15pm where they can play in the gym and have a snack before class time begins at 4pm. Church Time ends our religious education program from 5:05-5:20pm. All parishioners and parents are welcome to join us for this Church Time where children can be picked up. We encourage you to come to daily Mass on Wednesdays is at 5:30pm after religious education.

Junior High youth group will meet from 4:00-5:20pm in the Parish Center and High School youth group will meet from 6:00-7:30pm. We will work with parents to provide a meal for students staying for high school youth group from 5:30-6:00pm.

We will continue to have the Scripture Challenge this year since our students loved it these last few years. For the first fifteen verses memorized there will be a prize and a second prize for memorizing all twenty seven. This list will be given to students on the first day of class, September 14th.

Please look over the rest of this packet and let me know if you have any questions.

With God,

Amanda Schrauth, Director of Religious Education
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Wednesday Schedule

3:15-4:00pm	Gym Time and Snacks
4:00-5:00pm	Religious Education and Junior High Youth Group
5:05-5:20pm	Church Time
5:30-6:00pm	Daily Mass
6:00-7:30pm	High School Youth Group

Remind (Text Message Updates)

For Religious Education updates, text
@LeoGreatRE to 81010

For Junior High Youth Group updates, text
@LeoJHigh to 81010

For High School Youth Group updates, text
@LeoHS to 81010

For general parish announcements, text
@LeoGreat to 81010

Classrooms

Downstairs

Saint Francis — Seeds Class (Pre-K through 1st Grade)

Children of Fatima — Good News Class (2nd Grade)

Main Floor

Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati — High School Youth Group

Saint Maria Goretti — Visions Class (Junior High Youth Group)

Upstairs

Saint Kateri — empty

Saint Michael — Venture Class (4th and 5th Grade)

Saint Blandina — Sacraments Class (3rd Grade)

Schedule

September 14th — First Day of Religious Education and Youth Groups

October 19th — No RE or Youth Groups

November 2nd — No RE or Youth Groups

November 23rd — No RE or Youth Groups

December 28th — No RE or Youth Groups

April 26th — Last Day of Religious Education and Youth Groups

Registration for Saint Leo's 2022 VBS

Child's Name	Age	Grade for 2022-2023

Parents and Guardians: _____

What is the best way to reach you: Text or Phone or Email or Mail

Address: _____

Email: _____

Best Phone Number: _____ Alternate: _____

Special Needs Considerations

Please provide any additional information we may need to keep your child safe while in our program. Please include allergies, medications, disabilities, and any other information we may need in case of emergency. All information is confidential.

Vacation Bible School Schedule
8am - 11am on Monday, July 11th
through Thursday, July 14th
There will be a snack provided
but no meals.
There is no cost for VBS.

Permissions

May I use pictures of your children to promote Saint Leo's and the Diocese of Great Falls Billings in social media, webpages, newsletters, and the Harvest?

___ Yes ___ No

Saint Leo's Discipline Policy and Rules

Our religious education program is run by volunteers and in order to keep a manageable classroom for them to teach and evangelize in, the following discipline policy has been set in place.

By reading and signing this document, you are indicating your support and compliance with this policy. The policy is effective for grades K-12.

- Each class has the opportunity to set its own rules.
- If a child has disruptive or disrespectful behavior that causes a problem in the classroom, a letter will be sent home asking parents or guardians to address the issues they are having with their child.
- If the behavior continues to be a problem, a parent will have to accompany the child and stay in class with them until their teacher feels the problem has been solved.

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- All Church property, volunteers, staff, and students will be treated with respect.
- All students are expected to remain in the building during the course of their classes, unless permission is given for a field trip for the entire class.
- No running in the halls or jumping on the stairs.
- There will be absolutely no bullying of any kind.
- Other rules may be added as needed.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Registration for Saint Leo's Religious Education and Youth Ministry 2022-2023

Child's Name	Grade	Baptized?	First Confession?	Confirmation?	First Communion?

Parents and Guardians: _____

What is the best way to reach you: Text or Phone or Email or Mail

Address: _____

Email: _____

Best Phone Number: _____ Alternate: _____

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May I contact your high school student on their cell phone? ___ Yes ___ No
(please provide number) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

We will be ordering the Sunday Missal for Young Catholics for students in grades 2-3. How many additional missals would your family like? _____

Will you be able to help out occasionally in your child's class? ___ Yes ___ No

Will you be able to help provide snacks for special events? ___ Yes ___ No

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Saint Leo's Religious Education and Youth Ministry Volunteer Form 2022-2023

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Preferred Method of Communication: _____

I would like to be a **Leader**, an **Aide**, or a **Substitute**. (circle one)

Preferred Age Group: _____

Please give a brief summary of where you are in your spiritual life.
(“I’m new to the Church and still learning” or “I’m a cradle Catholic”)

Do you have other talents or hobbies you’d be willing to share with our program?

2022-2023 Saint Leo's RE Schedule

Date	Church Time	Religious Education Class Time
Sep 14	About Our Church (Amanda)	First Day
Sep 21	Divine Mercy Image (Good News)	
Sep 28	Baptism and Holy Water (Sacraments)	
Oct 5	Rosary (Venture)	Confessions (Visions)
Oct 12	Eucharistic Adoration (Father)	
Oct 19	NO RE	NO RE
Oct 26	Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Seeds)	
Nov 2	NO RE	NO RE
Nov 9	Saint Leo the Great Eucharistic Procession (Father)	
Nov 16	Litany of the Saints (Good News)	
Nov 23	NO RE	NO RE
Nov 30	Advent and Advent Wreaths (Sacraments)	Confessions (Venture)
Dec 7	Mary, the Mother of God (Seeds)	First Confessions (Sacraments)
Dec 14	The Eucharist (Venture)	
Dec 21	Christmas Pageant (Visions)	
Dec 28	NO RE	NO RE
Jan 4	Epiphany Party	Epiphany Party
Jan 11	Safe Environment Training Day	Safe Environment Training Day
Jan 18	Confirmation and the Holy Spirit (Good News)	
Jan 25	Vocations (Venture)	
Feb 1	Eucharistic Adoration (Father)	
Feb 8	Hearts of Jesus and Mary (Seeds)	
Feb 15	Burn Palms (Amanda and Father)	
Feb 22	Ash Wednesday Service (Father)	
Mar 1	Stations of the Cross (Venture)	
Mar 8	Sacrament of Confession (Sacraments)	Confessions (Venture)
Mar 15	Anointing of the Sick (Good News)	
Mar 22	Stations of the Cross (Venture)	Confessions (Visions)
Mar 29	Lectio Divina (Seeds)	Confessions (Sacraments)
Apr 5	Stations of the Cross (Venture)	
Apr 12	Apostles and Prayer (Sacraments)	
Apr 19	Last Day Party	Last Day