

#### WELCOME

Welcome to Our Lady of Pompei Catechism. We are delighted that you have decided to join our family. We hope that you and your child will feel at home with us, growing together in our faith and love for God. The Church believes in working in partnership with parents and families to bring forth a meaningful faith journey. Our program will support your family in developing your faith life by presenting the truths of the Word of God. Catechism not only teaches basic Christian doctrine, but also teaches the power of prayer, the healing power of God's love and forgiveness, how to live according to His law, and how to stay in communion with God to live a peaceful, joyful and hope filled life. We look forward to collaborating with you and your child on their Catechism Journey.

### **Our Sacrament Preparation Program**

# First Holy Communion Preparation (2 Years)

Year 1 - First Confession Entering the Mystery of God's Love. Heal your Soul through the power of God's Forgiveness. Year 2 - First Holy Communion Entering the Paschal Mystery. Nourish and strengthen your hungry Soul.

### **Confirmation Preparation (2 Years)**

Year 1 – Bible (Pre-Confirmation) Apprenticeship into the Mystery of God. Fortify your Soul through the Word of God. Year 2 – Confirmation Moved by the Spirit to be a Disciple. Strengthen your Soul with an outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

### What is NEW about our program

Our Catechism program follows a **Rotational Blended Learning Model** consisting of alternating weeks of **in-person** sessions (@ Our Lady of Pompei Church), **on-line** sessions (Zoom) and **independent** activities (self-paced at home learning). A schedule is provided at the start of each Catechism Year. Classes commence the first Sunday of October and run until the last Sunday of April. Sacrament celebrations take place in the month of May.

### **Sunday Mass**

Sunday Mass attendance is a requirement of our program. Catechism Families are expected to participate at our 11:15am Sunday Mass Celebration (in-person) at Our Lady of Pompei Church. Attendance is taken. Sunday and other Holy Days of Obligation are days on which the faithful are expected to attend Mass, and engage in rest from work and recreation, according to the Third Commandment. Therefore Mass, Prayer and Family Time should be your Sunday focus. You have a big responsibility to be a good role model for your child. Children often grow up to mimic the behaviors, attitudes and beliefs of their parents and caregivers. Be the role model your child deserves.

### **Attendance Policy**

All children are expected to attend class and mass as per the schedule unless a serious reason prevents the child from attending. Poor attendance and/or excessive tardiness may require the child to repeat the year.

### Have questions?

If you have questions or require additional information, please contact us at <u>catechism@pompeimontreal.org</u>. The Catechism Office is here to assist you and we want to give you the opportunity to share with us.









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# Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are delighted for the opportunity to assist you in your solemn duty of passing on your Faith to your children and growing in relationship with Jesus. It is our mission to share the Faith of the Roman Catholic Church in all its richness and authenticity. This is an effort, however, which will prove fruitless without the leadership and example of the parents. Therefore, let us all prayerfully consider the role each of us play in this most important process.

# Roles and expectations of our Catechism Team

Our Catechism program is sustained by volunteers who lovingly share and pass on our Faith. We are committed to providing your Child with a solid foundation in Catholic education and prepare them to receive their Sacraments. We are committed to:

- being available, understanding, and flexible
- treat all students and parents with respect
- being well prepared we acknowledge that your time is precious
- planning creative lessons consistent with the teachings, beliefs, doctrines, and practices of the Catholic Church
- lacksim creating an atmosphere geared to the learning styles and needs of each individual student
- lacksimencouraging each individual child in the development of a personal prayer life
- to be a model of God's Love to your Child

# Roles and expectations of the Parents & Guardians of our Catechism Students

In return, we expect Parents/Guardians to support the Catechism Team and your Child throughout their Catechism Journey. Parents and Guardians are expected to:

- work with our volunteers by being kind and supportive
- attend class with your child (if possible)
- review and discuss the weekly lessons with your child
- ensure your child participates and completes all assignments
- ensure appropriate behavior from your child
- pray with your child daily
- attend Sunday Mass regularly
- be on time time is precious to everyone!

# Roles and expectations of our Catechism Students

All our Catechism Children are expected to:

- Attend and participate in all classes and activities prepared for you
- Come prepared and ready to work
- Complete and hand in your assignments on time
- Attend Sunday Mass and participate (listen, respond, and pray)
- Be attentive, polite, and respectful towards your teachers, parents, and classmates
- Always demonstrate proper behaviour

# I acknowledge that I have read, and I understand my role and the role of my child through this Journey of Faith.

Name of Parent or Guardian (please print)



### **Registration requirements**

- 1. The registrant (Child) must be in grade 2 or higher.
- 2. Registration form (duly signed and completed)
- 3. A copy of the Child's Baptismal Certificate
- 4. \$85 non-refundable registration fee (cash, cheque, or on-line payment accepted)

### For on-line payment and registration deadline visit our website at www.pompeimontreal.org.

Catechism Year (select the year the applies to your child)

Check only the ONE that applies.

FIRST COMMUNION	Year 1 – First Confession		Year 2 – First Communion	
CONFIRMATION	Year 1 – Bible (Pre-Confirmation)		Year 2 - Confirmation	
Information concerning the Chi	ld			
Last Name		First Name		
Date of Birth (DD-MMM-YYYY)		Baptismal Church*		
School Name		Current Grade		
Home Address		Home Phone Numb	er	
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### \*Provide a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate if NOT Baptized at Our Lady of Pompei Church

Provide information you feel is relevant concerning your child (special needs, health issues, medication, family situation)

### Information concerning the Parents/Guardians

	Last Name	First Name	Email Address	Phone Number For fillable form enter only the 10 digits
Mother				
Father				
Legal Guardian				

Do you consent to having your child's name or photo used in the church bulletin or website? Yes No

Name of Parent or Guardian (please print)	Signature of Parent or Guard	ian	Date							
Please make cheques payable to Our Lady of Pompei.										
OFFICE USE ONLY (DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE)										
Baptismal Certificate Received (Y or N)	Amount Paid \$	On-line	Cash	CQ#						