

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH
2009-2010 REGISTRATION INFORMATION
YOUTH MINISTRY AND CONFIRMATION, GRADES 9-12

WELCOME!

Thank you for your interest in *Youth Ministry* and *Confirmation* at St. Joseph! We provide religious instruction and spiritual formation for children in grades 9-12. The primary goal of our program is to help teenagers develop a relationship with God that will support, sustain, challenge and nourish them throughout their entire lives. Our program consists of weekly classroom sessions, seasonal celebrations, a weekend retreat and special activities such as making crosses for younger First Communion students.

CLASS INFORMATION

CONFIRMATION: The two year process described below refers to high school sacramental preparation for grades 9 to 12. These classes meet in the St. Joseph School Gym, 1961 Plum Street, Pinole, CA 94564.

The First Year: Students experience the first year as Youth Ministry students. Youth Ministry (YM) is for 9th to 12th graders attending a public, parochial or private school who have not had previous parish youth ministry experience. **The first year program mandatory requirements are:** Youth Ministry weekly classes on Mondays 6:30-8:30 pm from September to June; the December 11-13, 2009 retreat; and second Sundays 5:30 pm youth Mass (October to March). For the students who want to continue into the second year, and prepare directly for Confirmation, YM students must meet all mandatory program requirements.

The Second Year: Students decide to enroll as a candidate for Confirmation in the spring of their youth ministry year, provided they fulfill all first year program requirements. Confirmation class meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, September to June, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. On Sundays when there is class, it is mandatory for candidates to attend the 5:30 pm youth Mass. Being a confirmation candidate involves: scheduled classes, youth Mass, a regional youth rally, a weekend retreat in January, Stewardship projects of community service, sponsor-candidate classes, and celebrating the sacrament of Reconciliation. The Rite of Confirmation Mass usually takes place in the spring of the second year.

PREPARING FOR FIRST COMMUNION

St. Joseph Parish has established a new policy for preparing teenagers for first communion. We wish to allow youth to grow in faith as Catholic Christians and participate in the sacramental life of the Church. Students must participate in two years of faith formation before they can receive first communion. This means that students who enroll in faith formation for the first time in September 2009 will receive first communion in April 2011.

REGISTRATION FEES AND DEADLINE

Registration fees help us to recover the cost of class materials, supplies, and facilities usage:

	by June 15	by August 15	after August 15
One child per family	\$60	\$70	\$85
Two children per family	\$110	\$120	\$130
Three or more children per family	\$120	\$140	\$155

Additionally, there will be a \$20 materials fee for each child enrolled in a sacrament preparation class. No child will be turned away because of financial need – please contact us to inquire about scholarships.

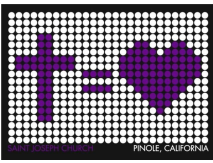
CLASS SELECTION REMINDER

A parent or guardian must accompany the child to the first Youth Ministry class of the year. You will receive confirmation of your registration and class assignment in the beginning of September. Please remember the date and time of the first class meeting and keep this page as a reminder to yourself! Class information is always listed in the parish bulletin. Please make sure you include the December retreat in your calendar as well.

First class meeting, required for both the student and a parent or guardian: *Date: Monday, September 14, 2009*
Time: 6:30-8:30 pm in the gym

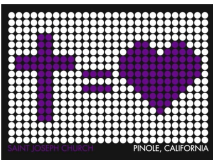
FOR MORE INFORMATION

Please contact Teena Posas, Director of Youth Ministry, at (510) 741-4900 ext. 210, teenap@sjcpinole.org; or Neela Kale, Director of Religious Education, at (510) 741-4900 ext. 204, neelak@sjcpinole.org.



***SAINT JOSEPH PARISH
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Please separate this page from the attached registration form.
Keep this page for your records and return the registration form to St. Joseph Parish.



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STUDENT

First name: _____ Last name: _____
 Home address: _____
 Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____
 Email: _____ Gender (circle one): male female
 Date of birth: _____ Language(s) spoken: _____
 School: _____ City: _____
 Grade in September 2009: _____

FAMILY (PARENTS/GUARDIANS)

First name: _____ Last name: _____
 Home address: _____
 Mailing address: _____
 Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____
 Work phone: _____ Email: _____
 Marital status: _____ Relationship to student: _____
 Religion: _____ Language(s) spoken: _____

First name: _____ Last name: _____
 Home address: _____
 Mailing address: _____
 Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____
 Work phone: _____ Email: _____
 Marital status: _____ Relationship to student: _____
 Religion: _____ Language(s) spoken: _____

Information and materials for parents/guardians should be in: (circle one) English Spanish
 Would you like to help with special events? Yes No

CLASS REQUIREMENTS

Circle your student's grade:
 9 10 11 12 Mondays, 6:30-8:30 p.m. in English; and...
 ⇒ December 11-13, 2009 retreat; and second Sundays 5:30 pm youth Mass
 (October to March) are mandatory requirements of the program.

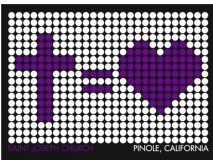
SACRAMENTS

Has the student been baptized? (Circle one) Yes No
 Has the student has celebrated first reconciliation? (Circle one) Yes No
 Has the student received first communion? (Circle one) Yes No

*If you would like the student to prepare for baptism, please attach a copy of his/her birth certificate.
 *If you would like the student to prepare for reconciliation/communion, attach a copy of his/her baptism certificate.

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OFFICE USE ONLY: Date received: _____ Initials: _____ Payment received: _____ Check#/Cash: _____ Initials: _____



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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL)

Does your child have any special needs?

Is there any special situation or concern you would like to share with us? (Use an additional page if necessary.)

MEDICAL INFORMATION

Physician: _____ Phone: _____
 Insurance: _____ Policy number: _____

Emergency contact to be notified if the parent(s) or guardian(s) cannot be reached:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Do you authorize the adult leader to authorize medical treatment for your child in an emergency, as considered necessary by the attending physician? (Circle one) Yes No

Ongoing medication? (type and frequency) _____

Allergies to food or medication? _____

Physical or other restriction on the basis of medical condition? _____

PARENTAL PERMISSION/RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

1. I/we, parent or authorized guardian of the child named above, give permission for his/her participation in **youth ministry** at St. Joseph Parish, and all related activities.
2. I/we agree to direct my/our child to cooperate and comply with reasonable directions and instructions from St. Joseph Parish staff and adult volunteer leaders.
3. I/we agree to be responsible for all medical expenses relating to injury of my/our child as a result of his/her participation in youth ministry, whether or not caused by the negligence of program staff or volunteers or other participants.
4. I/we understand that children participating in youth ministry may risk injury to the body or psyche or property damage to themselves and others. Such injuries can be caused by other persons, faulty equipment or facilities, or the activity itself, or be accidentally or intentionally self-inflicted.

In consideration for being permitted to participate in youth ministry at St. Joseph Parish, use the equipment provided, and enter the premises or facilities of the Diocese of Oakland for any purpose including observation and participation in activities, the parent or guardian for him/herself and any successors in interest and on behalf of the minor child agrees:

1. To release, waive, discharge and promise not to sue the Diocese of Oakland, its affiliated entities, and its officers, directors, employees, agents and volunteers (hereafter referred to as "Releasees") from all liability for any loss or damage, and any claim or demands therefore on account of serious or mortal injury to the body, injury to psyche or property of the minor child, or undersigned parent or guardian, whether caused by negligence or other conduct by the Releasees while the minor child, parent or guardian is participating in youth ministry or in, upon or about the premises of the Diocese or any of its facilities or equipment.
2. To indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any loss, liability, damage or cost it may incur due to the presence of the minor child, parent or guardian in, upon or about the premises of the Diocese, its facilities or equipment, or while participating in any youth ministry activities, whether caused by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise.
3. That the parent or guardian has read this agreement, voluntarily signs the agreement and that no oral representations, statements or inducements apart from the contents of this written agreement have been made.

I have read this agreement and understand everything written above.

Parent/guardian signature: _____ Date: _____