

Christian Education at St Paul's Episcopal Church, 2019-2020

Thank you for bringing your children to St Paul's. *“Jesus said: Let the little children come to me.”* We are excited to welcome new and returning children and youth to our education programs. Enrollment is open throughout the school year; join us any time, bring friends!

Please complete a **registration form** for each child. Forms are available at church or online. Return forms to the church office. Thank you for providing this important information.

Children gather at 10:00 am in the Community Room (downstairs – follow the sheep!) for a group activity and snack before moving into separate classrooms. After a half-hour class, children are escorted upstairs to the sanctuary, joining the parish before Holy Eucharist.

Children ages 3 to 12 are invited to **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd** atria (classrooms):

- ! Level I (ages 3 to kindergarten)
- ! Level II (ages 6 to 9 in grades 1 to 3)
- ! Level III (ages 9 to 12 in grades 4 to 6)

Age-appropriate, beautiful visual and tactile materials, music, theater, and activities are integrated into each level. Our teachers use the National Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program (www.cgsusa.org) and lesson plans provided through the Episcopal Digital Network (www.episcopaldigitalnetwork.com). Children are welcome to invite their friends!

Our CGS teachers this year are Stephanie Higgins, Lainie Ives, Jennifer Mansfield, Jessica Moore, Juliet Walker, and Linda Davis Siess (substitute) – and dedicated assistants.

Youth in 6th grade and older meet in our **Rite 13 group**, which incorporates religious education, current issues, music and theater, and more, including service activities for the church, community, and beyond: “learning the faith, doing the faith, being the faith.”

Rite 13 is led by Emily Russin, with mentors including John and Deirdre Budzyna, Scott Higgins, Becky Pieciewicz, and others. We appreciate the support of our St Paul's family!

Thank you to our teachers, assistants, supporters, and friends!

Thanks be to God!

Linda Davis Siess, Children and Youth Program Coordinator
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St. Paul's Children & Youth Programs
Enrollment Form 2019-2020

Enrollment is open throughout the year. Welcome!

(If enrolling more than one child, please fill out a separate form for each child.)

Child's name _____ Date of birth _____

Nickname, if preferred _____

Entering academic grade, Fall 2019 _____ Location _____

Allergies, medical conditions, dietary, learning, and any other notes:

Parent/Guardian(s) _____

Phone Number(s) _____

Email Address _____

Mailing Address _____

Emergency Contact Name and Number _____

My child is a new – or – returning St. Paul's student (circle one). Previous level (if known) _____

If this child has not been baptized, would you like information about baptism at St. Paul's? _____

By enrolling my child in the St. Paul's church school programs, I agree to the following:

1. A parent/guardian will be on the grounds of St. Paul's during the time my child is in the classroom.
2. A parent/guardian will volunteer (as able) as a class assistant (about half an hour) one or more times.

Please let us know your interests in helping our children grow and learn:

- ____ Training to become a Teacher: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (ages 3 through Grade 5)
____ Helping to lead Youth activities (Grade 6 and older) ____ Chaperoning/helping at special events
____ Small tasks and/or materials-making for classrooms and events
____ Sharing other talents and skills! _____

By checking here _____, I consent to allow my child's photograph to be used in church and diocesan publications, newspapers, and other venues (child will not be identified by name).

By checking here _____, I consent to allow my child's artwork/writing/creative arts to be published in church and diocesan publications, newspapers, and other venues.

Please email this form to churchschool@stpauls-nbpt.org, bring it to the church office, or mail to:
St. Paul's Episcopal Church, attn: Christian Education, 166 High St., Newburyport, MA 01950