



2014-2015 TUESDAY EVENING SCHEDULE

6:30 – 8:00 p.m. (Grades 2-5)

Revised 7/7/14

Very Important Information—Please read and save!!!

Schedule for parents & children

September 16	<u>Parents & children</u>
September 23	Children
September 30	Children
October 7	Children
October 14	<u>Parents & children</u>
October 21	Children
October 28	Children
November 4	Children
November 11	<u>Parents & children</u>
November 18	Children
November 25	No Class - Thanksgiving
December 2	Children
December 9	<u>Parents & children</u>
December 16	Children
December 23	No class - Christmas
December 30	No class - New Year
January 6	Children
January 13	<u>Parents & children</u>
January 20	Children
January 27	<u><i>Celebration of Baptism. We ask ALL parents and children to attend whether or not their child is being baptized. We want to celebrate with the children who are being baptized, and help the other children further understand the meaning of their own Baptism.</i></u>
February 3	Children
February 10	<u>Parents & children</u>
February 17	Mardi Gras Party
February 24	Children
March 3	Children
March 10	<u>Parents & children</u>
Saturday March 14	First Reconciliation Retreat and Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation @ 9:00 a.m. for parents & children
March 17	Children
March 24	Children
March 31	Children
April 7	No class - Spring Break
April 14	<u>Parents & children</u>
Saturday, April 18	First Communion Retreat, 3:00—6:30 p.m. for parents & children
April 21	Children (last class)



Required Sessions for Parents

If your child **has not been baptized**, you will need to attend two programs: A Baptism Parent Session and the Covenant Program, in addition to the sessions listed on the schedule to the left.

Baptism Parent Session

These are held on the Tuesday evenings listed below from 5:45 – 8:30 p.m. in church. Childcare is available for infants and toddlers. You do not need to register in advance.

- * October 7, 2014
- * November 4, 2014

Covenant Program

The Covenant Program is a day-long retreat from 8:45 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. It is for **parents only** and focuses on the covenant relationship between your child and God as well as your relationship with God. *It is required for parents whose children are preparing for Baptism, First Communion and Quinceañera, and couples preparing for Marriage.* We ask that you **register in advance** so that we can plan the lunch and childcare.

You can register by calling the Faith Formation Office, 392-6700, ext. 109 or on-line at www.stfrancisholland.org. If you have attended the Covenant Program in the past, you do not need to repeat it; just let us know. **Choose any one of the following dates.**

- * October 18, 2014
- * January 31, 2015
- * March 21, 2015

Sacrament of Baptism

Preparation:

Child:

- * Attend weekly classes

Parents (see front side for details):

- * Attend monthly parent sessions
- * Attend Baptism Session on a Tuesday evening
- * Attend Covenant Program on a Saturday



Celebration of Baptism: Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. during class time

Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion

All children preparing for First Communion will also prepare to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) for the first time prior to receiving their First Communion.

Preparation:

Child:

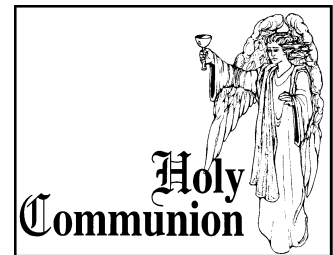
- * Attend weekly classes

Parents (see front side for details):

- * Attend monthly parent sessions
- * Attend Covenant Program on a Saturday

Parents and Child:

- * Attend First Reconciliation Retreat & Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, March 14, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. All children and parents must attend.
- * Attend First Communion Retreat on Saturday, April 18, 2015, 3:00—6:30 p.m. All children and parents must attend.



Celebration of First Communion:

First Communions will be celebrated at all Masses on two weekends in the Spring of 2015. At the parent session on Tuesday, October 8, 2014, parents will receive a folder with detailed information about selecting the date of your choice for your child's First Communion.

If, for any reason, you do not receive a First Communion folder by October 31, 2014, please contact Emily Alba, Administrative Assistant, at 616-392-6700.

Questions or concerns? Call Faith Formation Office 392-6700

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