



Second Hour

September 2018 – April 2019

*Catechesis program and faith formation for the youth of
St. John's & St. Mary's Catholic church in grades Preschool - 12th*

What is Second Hour?

Second Hour is our catechesis program for all youth from Preschool through High School to: become catechized in the Catholic faith; to prepare for the reception of the sacraments of Reconciliation, Communion, and Confirmation; to know, grow, and live their faith; and strengthen their relationship with God the Father, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit.

REMINDERS & CHANGES THIS YEAR:

1. Nursery will only be offered if we have enough students pre-registered for this class.
2. The Sacraments of 1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion are to be received during the student's 2nd grade year. Any student in 2nd grade (or above) seeking these sacraments should be enrolled in Second Hour and have completed grade 1 catechesis or will need to make up the catechesis prior to or during the 2nd grade year before receiving these sacraments.
3. The Sacrament of Confirmation is to be received during a student's 8th grade year. Any student in 8th grade (or above) seeking the sacrament of Confirmation should be enrolled in Second Hour and have completed the Pre-Confirmation classes in grades 6 & 7 or will need to make up the catechesis prior to or during the 8th grade year before receiving this sacrament.
4. 3 excused absences are allowed for all catechesis classes. The Second Hour staff will provide absent students with the Chapter and information missed for any class. After 3 absences, additional work or classes may be needed to achieve full faith formation.
5. The Parent/Mentor component has been changed for grades 1–5. We will now offer a Family class for these grades on specific nights. More info will be provided on this at the Parent Meeting and on the enclosed calendar

Second Hour Prayer: Dear Lord, we the parishioners of St. John and St. Mary surrender the Second Hour Catholic Education Program into your hands. We ask for Your blessing, Your wisdom, Your truth, and Your love to guide us as we work to nurture, educate, and inspire. Help us to know our faith, grow our faith, and go our faith! In your name, we pray these things with confidence and gratitude that You will hear us and respond. AMEN

What should I do?

- Read over this information packet & put the class dates in your calendar
- Attend the Parent Meeting on Wed. Sept. 12 at 7pm at Holy Cross Catholic School

Where do I go ? *(The doors for all buildings will open at 6:30PM for any participants to arrive early.)*

Holy Cross Catholic School (7:00–8:00 PM) *Classrooms for each grade will be announced/
posted on the first night of classes - Sept.19*

**Nursery (Infants – 2 years old)* Must be pre-registered to attend the Nursery. We will not be able to offer this class if we do not have enough registrations.*

Preschool (3 – 5 years old); Kindergarten;

First Graders; Second Graders; Third Graders;

St. Mary Parish Ministry Center (7:00–8:00 PM)

Fourth Graders: St. Mary Fireside Lounge

Fifth Graders: St. Mary Social Hall

Catechesis is just like school - our youth attend each consecutive year to continue to grow and know their faith.

St. John Parish Life Center (7:00–8:15 PM)

Sixth & Seventh Graders (Pre-Confirmation)

8th grade Confirmation

Youth Ministry Building (Old St John School) (7:00–8:15PM)

Grades 9–12 Youth Group

Where can I learn more about Second Hour?

Attend the Parent Meeting on Wed Sept 12 at 7pm at Holy Cross Catholic School to learn about the changes to the program this year, register your youth, and ask any question you may have of the staff. For more information, please visit the parish websites, follow the Second Hour Defiance Religious Education Facebook page or Second Hour Youth Facebook page, or contact any of the Second Hour Staff. Sign up for the Remind text alerts for updates or cancellations by texting “@jwests” to 81010. For more information, please contact your parish office.



Second Hour Catholic Education Program

2018–2019

Parents Name(s) _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Phone Number(s) (C) _____ (Other) _____
Email: _____
Home Parish: St John St Mary Other: _____

Emergency Contact Name(s) _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Phone Number(s) (C) _____ (Other) _____
Email: _____

STUDENT REGISTRATION

Name _____ Birthdate _____ Age _____
School Name _____ Grade _____
Email: _____ Phone: _____
Sacraments Completed: Baptism First Communion Confirmation

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(Additional student's registration slots can be placed on the back of this page.)

Please check those areas in which you would be willing to help:

- I can donate for those who cannot afford Second Hour
- I can help coach Nursery, Preschool, or Kindergarten
- I can help coach Second Hour Grades 1 - 3
- I can help coach Second Hour Grades 4–7
- I can help coach Second Hour Confirmation
- I can help coach High School Youth Group
- I can donate snacks or drinks for Second Hour classes

Please attend the Parent Meeting on Wednesday, September 12th from 7 - 8PM at Holy Cross Catholic School—Chapel. You may turn your registration form & fee in before this date at St. Johns or St. Mary's office. Make checks out to St Mary Catholic Church with "Second Hour" in the memo line. THANK YOU!

Registration fee is \$40.00 per student in grades 1 - 12.

Nursery, Preschool, & Kindergarten fee is \$30 per student.

Registration fees per family are not to exceed \$200 for the year.

*Make checks payable to St Mary Catholic Church with Second Hour in the memo line

*No one is ever denied participation because of the inability to pay. Please see Jessica West if you need a payment plan.
All fees cover every Second Hour class offered on Wednesday nights throughout the year
If your student attends Holy Cross, their fee is covered through their HCCS tuition cost.*

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School Name _____ Grade _____
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Additional information you would like the Second Hour staff to Know:

Make checks out to: St. Mary's Catholic Church with Second Hour in the memo line

*OFFICE USE ONLY: Paid in full _____ Partial Payment _____ (Amount paid: _____)
Method of payment: Cash _____ Check # _____ Date Received: _____
Additional Payment information: _____*



Second Hour 2018-19 Calendar

*Each grade will receive a grade specific calendar on the first night.
Parents & youth will be notified of changes to the schedule via Remind text alerts or email.*

Wednesday, September 12	PARENT MEETING & REGISTRATION @ HCCS Chapel from 7:00—8:00PM
Wednesday, September 19	Regular Class
Wednesday, September 26	Regular Class
<i>Wednesday, October 3</i>	<i>Grades 1, 2, & 3 Family Classes</i>
<i>Wednesday, October 10</i>	<i>Grades 4 & 5 Family Classes</i>
Wednesday, October 17	Regular Class
Wednesday, October 24	Regular Class
Wednesday, October 31	Attend Mass for All Saint's Day
Wednesday, November 7	Regular Class
Wednesday, November 14	Regular Class
Wednesday, November 21	NO CLASS - HAPPY THANKSGIVING
<i>Wednesday, November 28</i>	<i>Grades 1, 2, & 3 Family Classes(2nd grade—1st Reconciliation Retreat @ HCCS Gymnasium)</i>
Wednesday, December 5	Regular Class (<i>2nd grade to St John Church for 1st Reconciliation</i>)
<i>Wednesday, December 12</i>	<i>Grades 4 & 5 Family Classes</i>
Wednesday, December 19	NO CLASS—MERRY CHRISTMAS
Wednesday, December 26	NO CLASS—MERRY CHRISTMAS
Wednesday, January 2	NO CLASS—HAPPY NEW YEAR
<i>Wednesday, January 9</i>	<i>Grades 1, 2, & 3 Family Classes</i>
Wednesday, January 16	Regular Class
Wednesday, January 23	Regular Class
Wednesday, January 30	Regular Class
<i>Wednesday, February 6</i>	<i>Grades 1, 2, & 3 Family Classes</i>
<i>Wednesday, February 13</i>	<i>Grades 4 & 5 Family Classes</i>
Wednesday, February 20	Regular Class
Wednesday, February 27	Regular Class
Wednesday, March 6	Attend Ash Wednesday Mass
Wednesday, March 13	Regular Class
Wednesday, March 20	Regular Class
March 25-27	Co-Parish Mission at St Mary Church with Matthew Allner
<i>Wednesday, April 3</i>	<i>Grades 4 & 5 Family Classes</i>
<i>Wednesday, April 10</i>	<i>Grades 1, 2, & 3 Family Classes(2nd graders – 1st Communion Retreat in HCCS Gym)</i>
Wednesday, April 17	HOLY WEEK – Have a blessed Easter!
Wednesday, April 24	Grades 6—12 Class /St Mary's 2nd graders practice at St. Mary
Saturday, April 27	Confirmation for gr. 8 at 11am at Holy Rosary Cathedral Toledo
Sunday, April 28	St. Mary 1st Communion
Wednesday, May 1	<i>7th grade Confirmation Enrollment Meeting-St John's 2nd graders practice at St John</i>
Sunday, May 5	St. John 1st Communion
Sunday, May 19	HS Graduation Masses
June 13-15	YES Project

Second Hour Staff

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