



Second Hour

September 2019 – May 2020

*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.

NOW OFFERING— ONLINE REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT!!!

For the first time, Second Hour is offering a way to register & pay online!

To register—you can find the link to the Second Hour Religious Education Registration Form on either parish website, parish Facebook post, Second Hour Facebook post. Click on the link and complete the Google Form.

To pay the registration fee— *(these directions will also be on the Second Hour page of the websites)*

St Mary's Website directions: Go to stmarydefiance.weconnect.com & scroll to the bottom of the home page. Click on "Online Giving by WeShare". Under Offertory, click "Make a Donation", then click on "One Time Donation". Enter the amount of your Registration Fee Total. In the Comment box write "Second Hour Registration Fee for (student name(s) & grade(s))". Then complete the Payment details and Contact Information. Finally, verify your info and submit your payment.

St John's Website directions: Go to stjohndefiance.org & scroll to the bottom of the home page. Click on "Online Giving". At the bottom right, see "Quick Give" and click there. Then click "Continue Quick Give". Complete Personal Information and Address Information. In Gift Information, select Fund "Second Hour Registration", enter the total amount due, select payment method & add your info, and write "Second Hour Registration Fee for (student name(s) & grade(s))" in the Special Instructions. Click Next. Finally, verify your info and submit your payment.

Where can I learn more about Second Hour?

1. Attend the Parent Meeting on Wed Sept 4 at 6pm at Holy Cross Catholic School—Chapel. You can register your youth and ask any question you may have of the staff.
2. For more information, please:
 - visit the parish websites.
 - follow the Second Hour Defiance Religious Education Facebook page
3. Sign up for the Remind text alerts for updates or cancellations by texting “@jwestsh” to 81010.
4. For more information, please contact your parish office or the Second Hour Staff.

Where do I go for classes? *Doors 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.11

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

REMINDERS

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 3 excused absences are allowed for all catechesis classes. After 3 absences, additional work or classes may be needed to achieve full faith formation.

Second Hour 2019-20 Calendar

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| Wednesday, September 4 | PARENT MEETING / REGISTRATION @ HCCS Chapel from 6:00—7:00PM |
| Wednesday, September 4 | Confirmation Student with Sponsor / Parent Mtg @HCCS Chapel from 7:00-8:00PM |
| Wednesday, September 11 | Grades 1- 3 Family Class / Regular Class grades 4-12 |
| Wednesday, September 18 | Regular Class all grades |
| Wednesday, September 25 | Regular Class all grades |
| Sunday, September 29 | Confirmation Retreat at St. Mary Church & PMC from 8:30am—3:30pm |
| Wednesday, October 2 | Grades 1 – 3 Family Class / Regular class grades 4 - 12 |
| Wednesday, October 9 | Grades 4 - 5 Family Class / Regular class all other grades |
| Wednesday, October 16 | Regular Class all grades |
| Wednesday, October 23 | Regular Class all grades |
| Wednesday, October 30 | Regular Class all grades |
| Wednesday, November 6 | Grades 1 – 3 Family Class /Regular class grades 4-12 |
| Wednesday, November 13 | Regular Class all grades |
| Wednesday, November 20 | 2nd grade students & parents Reconciliation Retreat in HCCS Gym / Regular class all grades |
| Nov. 21—24 | National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) in Indianapolis, IN |
| Wednesday, November 27 | NO CLASS – HAPPY THANKSGIVING |
| Wednesday, December 4 | 2nd grade students 1st Rec @ St Mary Church/Gr. 1-3 Family Class/Regular class grades 4-12 |
| Wednesday, December 11 | Grades 4 - 5 Family Class / Regular class all other grades |
| Wednesday, December 18 | NO CLASS—MERRY CHRISTMAS |
| Wednesday, December 25 | NO CLASS—MERRY CHRISTMAS |
| Wednesday, January 1 | NO CLASS—HAPPY NEW YEAR |
| Wednesday, January 8 | Grade 1 – 3 Family Class / Regular class grades 4-12 |
| Wednesday, January 15 | Regular Class all grades |
| Wednesday, January 22 | Regular Class all grades |
| Wednesday, January 29 | Regular Class all grades |
| Wednesday, February 5 | Grade 1 – 3 Family Class / Regular class grades 4-12 |
| Wednesday, February 12 | Grades 4 – 5 Family Class / Regular class all other grades |
| Wednesday, February 19 | Regular Class all grades |
| Wednesday, February 26 | Attend Ash Wednesday Mass |
| Wednesday, March 4 | Grade 1 – 3 Family Class / Regular class grades 4-12 |
| Wednesday, March 11 | Regular Class all grades |
| Wednesday, March 18 | Regular Class all grades |
| Wednesday, March 25 | NO CLASS – SPRING BREAK |
| Wednesday, April 1 | Grade 4 – 5 Family Class / Regular class all other grades |
| Wednesday, April 8 | HOLY WEEK - Have a blessed Easter |
| Wednesday, April 15 | 2 nd grade students & parents 1 st Comm. Retreat @ HCCS Gym/Gr1-3 Family Class/Reg Class Gr4-12 |
| Wednesday, April 22 | Grades 6—12 Class / St Mary's 2nd graders practice at St. Mary |
| Sunday, April 26 | St. Mary's 1st Communion Mass @10:30AM |
| Wednesday, April 29 | St John's 2nd graders practice at St John |
| Saturday, May 2 | Confirmation Mass @ Rosary Cathedral @ 10AM |
| Sunday, May 3 | St. John's 1st Communion Mass @ 10AM |
| Wed, May 6 | Confirmation Enrollment Meeting for current 7th graders |
| Sat. May 16/Sun, May 17 | HS Graduation Masses – St. Mary & St. John (Dates & Times TBD) |
| June 11—13 | YES Project |



Second Hour Catholic Education Program

2019–2020

(to register and pay online, visit your parish website's Second Hour page)

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, Sept 4th from 6-7PM 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.

Name _____ Birthdate _____ Age ____
School Name _____ Grade _____
Email: _____ Phone: _____
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Additional information you would like the Second Hour staff to Know: (Food Allergies/ Medical conditions/Request for Payment plan, etc)

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: _____

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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