

FAITH FORMATION GUIDELINES 2026-2027

(Please read, sign, and return)

The following are the policies of the Corpus Christi Parish Faith Formation Program:

Admission:

A family must be registered with the parish in order to have children participate in the Faith Formation Program. Parish Registration can be completed online through the parish website:

www.corpuschristiparish.org. If you have not done so in prior years, please include a copy of each child's Baptismal Certificate with your registration.

Grades 1 - 9:

Please complete a registration section for each student enrolled in the Faith Formation Program, including Fidelis and Fraternus. There will be no mandatory Parent meeting this year. However, there will be **two final "Registration Outreach" days after all Sunday Masses on 08/16th and 08/30th** in the Narthex, whereby you will be able submit your registration payment(s), bring a copy of your Birth Certificate(s) or complete any other missing registration requirements.

Class Sessions for Grades 1 & 2

Grades 1 & 2 will meet in person on Sunday mornings from 10:15am – 11:15am following the 9:00am Mass. **Sunday Mass is mandatory for all Grade 1 & 2 students.** Sign-in sheets are located in the Narthex on the credenza by the windows. Please contact Susan Locarno if you attend another parish to fulfill this obligation or if your child is ill.

Grades 3 -5:

Grades 3-5 have the option to meet in person on Sunday mornings from 10:15am – 11:15am or to participate in our Homeschool Online Program through "My Catholic Faith Delivered."

Grades 6 & 7:

Grades 6-7 have the option to participate in our Homeschool online program through "My Catholic Faith Delivered" or in person, by joining Fidelis (Girls) or Fraternus (Boys). Fidelis will meet weekly on Thursday evenings from 6:30pm – 8:30pm with dinner included, and Fraternus (Boys) will meet on Tuesday evenings from 6:30pm - 8:30pm with dinner included.

Grades 8 & 9: Confirmation Preparation

Grades 8 & 9 (Confirmation One and Two) have a choice to either attend 10 classes between September 2026 and May 2027 from 12:00pm – 1:00pm following the 10:45am Mass, or to join Fidelis (Girls) or Fraternus (Boys). Fidelis will meet weekly on Thursday evenings from 6:30pm – 8:30pm with dinner included, and Fraternus (Boys) will meet on Tuesday evenings from 6:30pm - 8:30pm with dinner included.

Sunday Mass is mandatory for all Grade 8 & 9 students. Sign-in sheets are located in the Narthex on the credenza by the windows. Please contact Susan Locarno if you attend another parish to fulfill this obligation or if your child is ill. This includes Grades 8 & 9 Fidelis and Fraternus.

Faith Formation & Fidelis/Fraternus Calendars:

Please see the attached calendars. These will also be available to view on the parish website and may be subject to change.

Fees:

Grades 1 - 7 \$50.00

Grade 8 \$50.00

Grade 9 \$65.00

Fraternus/Fidelis \$50.00 (register directly with Fraternus/Fidelis www.fraternus.net & www.fidelisonline.org. (Once registered please notify Susan Locarno in the Faith Formation office.)

Mass Attendance:

Your child's Faith Formation involves both classroom/homeschool instruction and participation in the life of the parish, principally through the Sunday Mass. We encourage and expect all parish families to attend Mass every Sunday, either here, or at another church. The Mass schedule at Corpus Christi is: Saturday Vigil Mass, 4:00pm, and Sunday morning, 7:30am, 9:00am & 10:45am.

PLEASE NOTE: Grades 1 & 2 and Confirmation 1 & 2 (Grades 8 & 9) are ***required to attend Mass weekly***. Parental sign-in will take place in Narthex. Please notify Susan Locarno when your child is sick or attends another parish's Mass.

Attendance:

Confirmation students in grades 8 & 9 cannot miss more than **two** classes and must arrive promptly to class. Grades 1-5 may not miss more than **five** classes. Please call Susan Locarno in the Faith Formation Office if your child is ill. Students registered in Fidelis/Fraternus must attend 70% of the weekly meetings.

Promotion:

Confirmation Students will be promoted/confirmed based upon effort, attendance, and cooperation in class. Promotion to the next grade is not automatic. Promotion to next grade level for students in Grades 1 & 2 will be based upon attendance and participation. Homeschool students in grades 3 – 7 require a grade of **60%** or higher in order to advance. No student whose grade is below a **60%** will be promoted.

Dress Code:

While there is no official dress code for students attending classes, we ask that students dress modestly and appropriately. No yoga/exercise pants without proper coverage. Baseball caps and cleats are not to be worn in the building.

Cell Phones:

Cell phones and Apple watches are not allowed to be used during class time. If a student brings a cell phone to class, it must be turned off until the end of class. If you need to get in touch with your child during class time, please call the office at 508-888-0209 x107.

Documentation:

Any new registration must be accompanied by a recent copy of the child's Baptismal certificate, if they were not baptized here. Please contact the church of your child's Baptism and request that a new certificate be sent to Corpus Christi Parish, Attn: Faith Formation Office.

**Please sign and return to Susan Locarno in the Faith Formation Office
before September 6, 2026**

Parental Acknowledgment and Agreement to Guidelines:

I have received the 2026-2027 Faith Formation Guidelines for Corpus Christi Parish and I have read, understood, and agree to these Guidelines, as stated herein.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____