Fall 2026

Anaconda Catholic Community's R.E. Newsletter

"God numbers the stars,
and calls each of them by name
Psalm 147:4

Hello R.E. families,

Welcome back! We are very excited for another year here at ACC. We hope you all had a wonderful summer and found time to enjoy nature and time together.

In an effort to help our families stay organized we have compiled a newsletter with important dates, expectations, and updates for the upcoming year.

Important Dates

Family Nights

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Stay In The Know

The goals of the RE Program are to be *invitational* and *inspirational* by proclaiming the Word of God, by sharing the truths of our Catholic Faith, by nurturing our ACC family's parish Sacramental Life and by providing a safe space for all children. We appreciate each family for being a part of our growing community and look forward to another year of walking beside your children, as they grow in their faith in God and in knowledge & understanding of His Son, Jesus.

God bless each of you and this new year
of Religious Ed formation!

Important Dates:

"Let the little children come to me...."
Mark 10:14

- **September 23rd RE Open House**
  - K - 6th grades: 5:15 - 6:15 pm
- **September 30th Classes Begin**
  - K-6th grades: 5:15-6:30
- ***Virtus* Classes**
  - October 21st all grades
- **Children's Christmas Mass:**
  - December 24th, 5:00 p.m.m Holy Family
- **First Reconciliation,**
  - February 3, 2027 (during class)
- **First Communion,**
  - March 14, 2027 @ 10:30 am mass
- **Last Class**
  - March 10th, 2027
- **No Classes:**
- November 25th, Thanksgiving Break
- December 23rd, Christmas Break
- December 30th, Christmas Break
- February 10th, Ash Wednesday
- **Please check the monthly calendar for any changes to RE & Youth Group dates.**

Family Night

Building Our ACC Community

Please mark your calendars and plan to join your children for Family Nights. Family Nights will be held in the Hunthausen Center in Holy Family Church and are designed to bring our families together within the Religious Ed parish community for a fun evening celebrating with your families.

Family nights start at 5:15 and end at 6:15.

Regular classes are not held on these dates. Please do not drop off and leave children on these nights.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Save The Dates

October 28th, Trunk or Treat

(decorate your vehicles and help us pass out candy)

November 18th, Family Faith & Game Night

(Grow your faith while playing fun family games!)

December 16th, Christmas & Giving Tree Party

(Giving Tree present drop off)

February 17th, Carnival Night

"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!"

Psalm 133:1

Start Time

- Please note: 5:15 start time is meant to make it easier for families to get children to class on time. **R.E. classes start at 5:15 and end at 6:30.**
- **Please plan to arrive 5 -10 minutes ahead.**
- Each Wednesday evening, we will begin in the worship space.

Emergency Contacts:

In the event of a school closure due to weather on a RE & Youth Group Wednesday, ACC classes will not be held.

Notice of Cancellations will be posted on *Seesaw* & Facebook.

Does your registration include your current phone number & email address? These contacts are used to share *Seesaw* and Facebook posts.

Snack Program

- All families are asked to send 1 large, nonperishable box of snacks for each of their children's classrooms.

  Please NO CHOCOLATE
- Please send a water bottle with children each week, as drinks are not provided with snack.

"Angel of God my guardian dear; to whom God's love commits me here; ever this day be at my side, to light, to guard, to rule and guide. Amen."

Sign-In & Out Tables

- **In order to keep all children safe during class and in the event of an emergency, we ask that parents come in and sign their children in and out from all classes.** We appreciate your weekly cooperation with this procedure.
- If your child/children need to be picked up early, please contact Kirstin or Steve at Sign-in. Parents will not be allowed to disrupt classes to remove children without approval. This helps eliminate distraction in our classes and ensures all children are leaving with the correct families.

Contact Us

Leadership Team

RE Director: Mrs. Hessler
Megan Jones: 406-565-3513
Kirstin Ashley: 406-560-3248
Hall Monitor: Steve Coffey: 406-560-0463

Priests: Fr. Joe Fleming & Fr. Dillon Armstong

Parish Office

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Volunteers/ Catechists' List

• Kindergarten	Trudy Sturm
• 1st Grade	Open
• 2nd Grade	Connie Sheahan
• 3rd Grade	Tom & Linda Moodry
• 4th Grade	Michelle Lese & Melissa Reynolds
• 5th & 6th Grade	Tom Lee
• Hall Monitor	Steve Coffey

Stay Up To Date:

- Join Our Facebook Group @ ACC RE/Youth
- Join us on the Seesaw Family App
- **Please find the RE registration on the parish website. https://www.anacondacatholiccommunity.com/**
- Medical & Media Releases for your children should be signed on September 23rd at the RE Open House.
- Payment will also be accepted at this time or in the parish office. $25 for one child or $50 for two or more children.