

SAINT GERARD PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

St. Gerard Parish School of Religion (PSR) provides Religious Education for the public school students of our Parish. **CLASSES FOR GRADES K THROUGH 8 MEET ON SUNDAY MORNINGS FROM 9:40 – 10:50 A.M. BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 11, 2016 THROUGH May 7, 2017.** Formal registration takes place annually in late August and early September. **Last day for late registration will be Sunday, September 25, 2016.** Those moving into the Parish may register anytime throughout the school year. Registration information can be obtained by calling the Parish Office at 419-224-3080

PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT

Saint Gerard Parish School of Religion assists and supports the parents of our students as they nurture the gift of faith in their children. It is our goal that, as the children hear the gospel message, they will respond to the presence of God and continually seek to develop a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Within the Christian atmosphere of the Parish community and classroom, the students will be led to an increasing knowledge and understanding of the gospel and the teachings and traditions of the Roman Catholic Church. Through a total Religious Education experience that integrates learning with service, prayer, and liturgical experiences, the Parish School of Religion will foster values, attitudes, and an experience of community, which will translate into a living faith consistent with the call of the gospel and the mission of the Church.

OBJECTIVES

1. The students will experience an Christian atmosphere within the PSR classroom in which the catechists share and witness to a personal commitment to growth in Jesus Christ.
2. The students will recognize that God loves us and desires our love in return.
3. The students will know and understand the person, message and mission of Jesus, and the history and basic teachings of the Roman Catholic Church.
4. The students will be enabled and encouraged to witness to the gospel message and to integrate into their lives the message and mission of Jesus Christ.
5. The students will be enabled and encouraged to develop a sense of belonging to a faith community.
6. The students will be enabled and encouraged to experience and develop their communal faith through meaningful participation in liturgies.