

## ELEMENTARY CLASSES

### Grades K-5

**Sunday** 4:15-5:30 p.m.  
6:00-7:15 p.m.

**Monday** 6:00-7:15 p.m.

**Special Needs Class**  
**Sundays at 6 pm**

**CLASS MEETINGS**  
(Sunday/Monday)

### ◆ 2009 ◆

**Sept.** 13/14; 20/21; 27/28

**Oct.** 4/5; 11/12; 18/19; 25/26

**Nov.** 1/2; 8/9; 15/16; 22/23

**Dec.** 6/7; 13/14

### ◆ 2010 ◆

**Jan.** 10/11; 17/18; 31/Feb. 1

**Feb.** 14/15; 21/22; 28/March 1

**Mar.** 14/15; 21/22

**Apr.** 11/12; 18/19; 25/26

**May** 2/3

**\*\* Please note: The last class for grade 2 is April 25/26 so as not to conflict with First Communions in May.**

## ELEMENTARY RETREATS

*Retreat attendance is required of all elementary students. Retreats are held in the Parish Hall from 9:30 am to noon.*

◆ **Grade 1**  
**Oct. 17**

◆ **Grade 2**

**First Reconciliation retreat: Jan. 16**  
**First Eucharist retreat: April 10**

◆ **Grade 3**  
**Oct. 31**

◆ **Grade 4**  
**March 13**

◆ **Grade 5**  
**Feb. 27**

**Teacher meeting dates**  
*(7 pm in parish hall, unless other)*

**Sept. 9: 7 pm Catechist Mass and reception (chapel and parish hall)**

**Oct. 8: Touching Safety inservice**

**Oct 13: ACRE meeting for grade 5, 8 and 11 catechists**

**Nov. 30 – inservice**

**Jan. 4 – inservice**

**May 26 –Thank You celebration, 7 pm Mass followed by reception**

## FIRST RECONCILIATION/ FIRST COMMUNION SCHEDULE 2008-2009

**Parent Meeting on Reconciliation**  
Nov. 10 or Nov 12 at 7 pm in parish hall  
(attend one, parents only)

**First Reconciliation Rehearsal**  
Jan. 28 at 7 pm in the church  
(child and a parent)

**First Reconciliation Celebration**  
Jan 30 at 10 am in the church

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**Parent Meeting on First Communion**  
March 2 or March 4 at 7 pm in the parish hall  
(attend one, parents only)

### **For Sun. 6 pm & Mon. classes:**

- **First Communion Rehearsal**  
April 29 at 7 pm in the church  
(child and a parent)
- **First Communion Celebration**  
May 1 at 10 am in the church

### **For OLV students, Sun. 4:15 classes and home-based students:**

- **First Communion Rehearsal**  
May 6 at 7 pm in the church  
(child and a parent)
- **First Communion Celebration**  
May 8 at 10 am in the church

## Share the G.I.F.T of Faith With your family this year

G.I.F.T (Generations in Faith Together) sessions invite parishioners of all ages to:

- Share a meal
- Learn about faith from one another
- Experience prayer, interactive activities, faith sharing and discussion in mixed groups and at their own level.

### January GIFT

This year to make room for the parish mission, there will only be one GIFT event:

Choose from one of the three days listed.

- Sat., Jan 23, 11:30-2:30
- Sun., Jan 24, 12:30-3:30
- Mon., Jan 25, 6 pm to 9 pm\*

\* Monday sessions are designed for adults and teens, to allow for deeper sharing. Saturday and Sunday sessions continue to be open to all ages.

Watch the bulletin for more details.

For more information, contact the Faith Formation Office at 238-0649 or e-mail

[dirred@goodshepherd-sc.org](mailto:dirred@goodshepherd-sc.org).

### SPECIAL PROGRAMS SCHEDULE

*Church-based program only*

#### **Sept. 12 and 13: First Class**

Parents and children meet in the worship space at start of class time; parents stay for meeting.

#### **Nov. 1 and 2: Playing it Safe**

Classes will combine the diocesan-required touching safety instruction with safety messages and Halloween fun.

#### **Dec. 13 and 14: Christmas Program**

Details TBA. The last classes before the Christmas holidays.

#### **Jan 23-25: GIFT**

No regular classes scheduled. Plan to bring the family to one of the sessions. This is a great way to make up missed class time. See panel on the brochure for more details.

#### **Feb. 8-11: Parish Mission**

No classes scheduled for Feb. 7 and 8. Plan to attend one or more evenings of the parish mission if you can. Watch the bulletin for details.

#### **March 21 and 22: Stations of the Cross**

Religious Education classes present the stations during their regularly scheduled class times. Families invited; open to all.

## GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH

### **Church-Based Elementary Religious Education Program Schedule**

**2009-2010**



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