

MOST OFTEN ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT SUNDAY PRESCHOOL

What is it?

It is a program of religious awareness and readiness for preschoolers.

When is it held?

It is held during the 9:30 mass.

Where are the classes held?

They are held at St. Mary School in the primary classrooms on the first floor. Classes are divided by age.

What age do the children have to be for the program?

The program is open for children ages 3, 4, and 5 (all by October 1)

Who runs the preschool program?

The program has a director who oversees the entire program.

Who teaches the children?

For each age level, we have an adult lead teacher, an adult co-teacher, parent helpers and student helpers. The lead teachers will be the same person each week for each class. The co-teachers, parent helpers and student helpers assist teaching on a rotational basis. The lead teachers are provided with lesson plans for the week. Each teacher will then give direction to the co-teachers and helpers. The requirements of all volunteers are to love God and want to share that with the children.

What training is required for the teachers, co-teachers and parent helpers?

All adults helping and interacting with the children are required to complete Virtus Training. For more information and how to register for training, visit the following Virtus website address:

https://www.virtusonline.org/mytraining/live_registration.cfm.

How Many children are in a class?

We try to keep the classes to a maximum of 15-20.

What programs are used?

We have a combination of pre-planned lessons and lessons from books approved by the Diocese of Covington. We will be using the 'I Am Special' curriculum.

When do classes' start/end?

Classes begin September 20th and run through April 25th.

When is registration?

Registration is at the end of the school year and in August and September, up to opening day.

Is there a fee for preschool?

There is a fee of \$35 per child per year, which helps to pay for the supplies used, the teachers' manuals, the take-home sheets, items for celebration, and a cloth bag, etc. The fee is to be paid on or before opening day.

Where should I enter on Opening Day and each week?

Always enter through the doors to the school cafeteria.

Where can I call if I have more questions or concerns about the program?

Call the director, Denise Manning at 635-4531 or email her at msdeemanning@fuse.net.

Also refer to the Preschool Website at www.saintmaryparish.com