

**A GIFT-SHARING COMMUNITY**

**Parental Commitment**

Your active participation in Religious Formation programs is essential. These programs only succeed because of your support.

Our Religious Formation Ministry is blessed with a wonderful faith community, very willing to support the ministry by volunteering in many ways. Both large and small stewardship opportunities are available and your willingness to answer the call to serve is greatly appreciated! **All families participating in our Religious Formation programs are welcomed and needed to share the time and talents God has provided them. The following pages list many opportunities for families to become involved in helping our Religious Formation Ministry grow stronger. Please choose opportunities that best accommodate your talents.**

**Sunday Liturgy and Parish Involvement**

As a member of Holy Spirit Catholic Community, it is important that your family:

- ❖ is present at weekly Liturgy
- ❖ supports the parish financially
- ❖ shares their time and talents

*“And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.”*

*- Colossians 3:17*

**GIFT-SHARING FORM – PLEASE RETURN WITH REGISTRATION FORMS**

<b>Family Name</b> _____	
<b>Father’s First Name</b> _____	<b>Mother’s First Name</b> _____
<b>Home and/or Cell Phone:</b>	<b>Home and/or Cell Phone:</b>
<b>Email Address:</b>	<b>Email Address:</b>
<b>Circle grade level/s of your child/ren in Fall 2008.</b>	
<b>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8</b>	<b>1st year confirmation      2nd year confirmation</b>
<b>Day and time most available to volunteer</b>	<b>Days _____ Evenings _____</b>

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Beacon – 01</b></p> <p>A Beacon is a faith-filled volunteer who commits to assist the catechist in a Religious Education class with a student who has special needs. Beacons over 18 may minister one-on-one with a student who has special needs. Please read the enclosed brochure, <i>Beacons of Holy Spirit</i>, to learn more about this ministry.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Grade 1</li> <li>2. Grade 2</li> <li>3. Grade 3</li> <li>4. Grade 4</li> <li>5. Grade 5</li> <li>6. Grade 6</li> <li>7. Grade 7</li> <li>8. Grade 8</li> </ol>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Special Events – 02</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Placement for Religious Education: September</li> <li>2. Help plan and work RCIA Vigil Reception: Holy Saturday 2009</li> <li>3. Help plan and work 1<sup>st</sup> grade St. Nicholas/Advent family event: October/early December</li> <li>4. Help plan 3<sup>rd</sup> grade family night</li> <li>5. Help plan Children’s Mission for Grades 1-5: January/February 2009</li> <li>6. Help plan 4<sup>th</sup> grade family event</li> <li>7. Help plan 5<sup>th</sup> grade family event</li> <li>8. Photograph grade-level special events: Grade _____</li> </ol>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sacramental/Liturgy Help – 03</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Help plan/facilitate 2<sup>nd</sup> grade reconciliation retreat: Fall/November</li> <li>2. Assist at 2<sup>nd</sup> grade reconciliation retreat: November</li> <li>3. Help plan/facilitate 2<sup>nd</sup> grade reconciliation: Fall/December</li> <li>4. Help with 2<sup>nd</sup> grade reconciliation: early December</li> <li>5. Help with 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Reconciliation receptions: early December</li> <li>6. Coordinate/assist at 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Nativity: Christmas Eve Mass</li> </ol>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sacramental/Liturgy Help – 03 (cont.)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. Help plan/facilitate first Eucharist retreats: January/March 2009</li> <li>8. Assist at first Eucharist retreats: March 2009</li> <li>9. Help plan/serve at first Eucharist receptions: late April and mid-May 2009 (3<sup>rd</sup> grade families)</li> <li>10. Assist with first Eucharist practices and liturgies: late April and mid-May 2009</li> <li>11. Help plan and work confirmation retreats: January 2009 or April 2009</li> <li>12. Greet at confirmation Mass: Spring 2009</li> </ol>

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Office/Computer Volunteer – 05</b> Day-time hours 8:30 am – 4:30 pm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Input data as needed</li> <li>2. Assist with RE Web site</li> <li>3. Run copies on duplicator as needed</li> <li>4. File handouts in catechist files as needed</li> <li>5. File as needed</li> <li>6. Prepare mailings for Religious Formation</li> <li>7. Answer phone (Welcome Desk)</li> <li>8. Make phone calls for upcoming projects, special events (can be done at home)</li> <li>9. Assist as needed during regular office hours</li> </ol> <p style="text-align: center;">Available: Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Other Ways to Help – 06</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Prepare catechist bins: August/September</li> <li>2. Set up catechist files and Home Study files: September</li> <li>3. Assist with book and material return: May</li> <li>4. Inventory books and material: May/June</li> <li>5. Home Study Checkers: Record Home Study homework - Grades: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8</li> <li>6. Prepare craft projects at home as needed</li> <li>7. Label and maintain video library</li> <li>8. Label and maintain book &amp; resource library</li> <li>9. Clean and manage refrigerator in parish kitchen (one time, one week)  Month of December _____  Month of January _____  Month of February _____</li> </ol>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sports – 07</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Coach high school basketball: Sundays, December thru February</li> <li>2. Coach high school softball: Sundays, July thru August</li> </ol>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>RE Supplies – 08</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provide supplies as needed</li> <li>2. Monitor/maintain supply closet: inventory, order and refill supplies</li> </ol>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Hospitality – 09</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Be part of an at-large hospitality team for religious activities (set up, serve, clean up)  Available: Day ____ or Evening ____</li> <li>2. Provide beverages or food items as requested (soda, juice, baked goods, fruit)</li> <li>3. Serve at 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> grade family night events: Grade ____</li> <li>4. Provide refreshments for THE EDGE</li> <li>5. Serve refreshments at THE EDGE</li> </ol>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Youth Ministry – 10</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Serve on the Youth Ministry Board</li> <li>2. Serve on AFTERBURN (high school youth group) core team</li> <li>3. Serve on THE EDGE (middle school youth group) core team</li> <li>4. Assist with THE EDGE middle school youth group by being present at THE EDGE</li> <li>5. Contemporary Music Group</li> <li>6. Teen Bible Study</li> <li>7. Recruitment and publicity</li> </ol>

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chaperone – 11</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Junior High Odyssey Fun World: October 2008</li> <li>2. Middle School Ski Trip: January 2009</li> <li>3. High School Ski Trip: January 2009</li> <li>4. Great America Trip: June 2009</li> <li>5. Middle School Mission Trip: June 2009</li> <li>6. High School Mission Trip: Summer 2009</li> <li>7. Magic Waters Trip: August 2009</li> <li>8. Miscellaneous chaperone opportunities</li> <li>9. Confirmation retreat weekend in the Fall, Winter &amp; Spring from Friday, 5 pm until Sunday, 5 pm (dates to be determined)</li> </ol>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Service Projects – 12</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 1<sup>st</sup> grade – To be determined</li> <li>2. 2<sup>nd</sup> grade – To be determined</li> <li>3. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – To be determined</li> <li>4. 4<sup>th</sup> grade – To be determined</li> <li>5. 5<sup>th</sup> grade – To be determined</li> <li>6. Plan/brainstorm middle school service projects</li> </ol>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Teen Volunteer Opportunities – 13 High School Only</b></p> <p>Teen's name _____</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Assist with Children's Mission for Grades 1-5</li> <li>2. Dry Bones Retreat Leader</li> <li>3. Contemporary Music Group</li> <li>4. Audio/Visual Experts</li> <li>5. Outreach and publicity</li> <li>6. Assist with 2<sup>nd</sup> grade retreats/receptions: November /December</li> <li>7. Assist with first Eucharist liturgies/receptions: late April through mid-May 2009</li> <li>8. Assist at THE EDGE</li> </ol>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Prayer – 14</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pray daily for catechists, children and teens in our Religious Formation programs</li> </ol>

Any additional ways in which your family would like to help:

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