

*The Church of
Saint Timothy*

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Dear 10th Grade Parents,

We are very excited for the start of the new Faith Formation year, 2021-22. Please look through all the bullet points below so that you are fully informed about Faith Formation 2021-22.

- The Faith Formation Open House/Registration Evening takes place on September 1st (6:30-7:30pm in the school parking lot). Our catechists would love to meet and chat with their students for the year.
- Registration forms needed are...
 - Code of conduct 2020-21
 - Parent Participation Form
 - Mentor Participation Form
 - FF Registration Sheet
 - Service Hour Sheets (can be turned in at anytime – they must be completed one month prior to confirmation)
 - Pledge of commitment
 - Authorization, Consent Release for Use of Visual Likeness and Original Works of Minors
 - Novel Coronavirus Acknowledgement and Assumption of Risk.

- The 10th Grade Catechists are Joseph Ackerman and Keri Wurm.
- The 10th Grade material this year is YouCat.
- . Classes meet from 7pm-8:15 pm at St. Timothy School.

- Important dates for the year are...
 - NET Retreat on Sep 29th 4pm- 9pm in the Church Basement
 - Our mandatory Parent+Mentor meeting - TBD
 - Retreat- Sat/ Sun March 19/20 - St. Henry's (no longer overnight)
 - Confirmation on May 21st @ the Basilica. Mass begins at 1:30pm.

- Lastly, if you are unable to make the Open House please turn your registration forms into the Parish Office prior to September 8th. A late fee of \$10 must accompany forms turned in after September 8th

God bless you and thank you for prioritizing passing on the great gift of our faith to your children.

Sincerely,

Fr. Meyer

ST. TIMOTHY'S FAITH FORMATION CODE OF CONDUCT

Students must follow all health policies related to Covid-19 as specified in the parent letter.

Catechists of Faith Formation perform an invaluable service to the parents of St. Timothy's Parish. They have a time-consuming and challenging job, as you can well imagine. They need to cover much material in just over one hour a week. Your responsibility as parents is to deliver and pick up your teenager on time, to discuss with them the content covered in class, and to assure teachers of his/her consistent, appropriate behavior.

Even though infrequent, any serious attitude/discipline problems make it necessary - for the success of our program - that all parents and their students sign a behavior contract that will be strictly enforced. Every young person in faith formation is entitled to quality instruction in a supportive and safe environment.

Our policy states that: **when the adult leader considers a student's behavior to be consistently off task, inappropriate or disrespectful, that student will receive one verbal warning. Any subsequent problem will be reported to the Director of Faith Formation. Parents will be contacted before the next class period to choose one of two options:**

- A. Parents will receive leader guides and training to home school their student. A follow-up quiz will be given by the Director of Religious Education
- B. Parents will accompany their student to his/her class to assist with instruction and behavior.

If the behavior is severe there will be no other warnings and appropriate action will happen that night when the parent picks up the student.

Parent or Guardian: I agree that my young person shall abide by the contract outlined above. I have reviewed it and discussed the contract with my child prior to signing this form. I agree that if my child fails to consistently abide by the code or engages in a serious infraction of the code, I will be notified immediately to choose from the options listed above.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Youth Participant: I understand and agree to the **St. Timothy's Faith Formation Behavior Contract**. I also understand that my parents(s) or guardian will be notified at the time of any infraction following one verbal warning. (Your signature must appear below in order to participate in St. Timothy's Religious Education Program.)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Novel Coronavirus Acknowledgement & Assumption of Risk
The Church of St. Timothy

I acknowledge and understand, the novel coronavirus, COVID-19 has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. Further, that COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. I also acknowledge, that federal, state, and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited or limited the congregation of groups of people.

I agree, represent, and warrant that neither the undersigned, nor any registered participant child(ren) shall visit or utilize the facilities, programs, activities, or services of The Church of St. Timothy within 14 days after (1) returning from outside the United States, (2) exposure to any person returning from outside the United States, or (3) exposure to any person who has a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19.

I hereby agree, represent, and warrant that neither the undersigned nor any registered participant child(ren) shall visit or utilize the facilities, programs, activities, or services of The Church of St. Timothy if he or she (1) experiences symptoms of COVID-19, including, without limitation, fever, cough or shortness of breath, or (2) has suspected or diagnosed/confirmed case of COVID-19. The undersigned agrees to notify The Church of St. Timothy immediately if any of the foregoing access or use restrictions may apply.

The Church of St. Timothy has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19. I agree to comply with measures that The Church of St. Timothy may require to best protect against the introduction of viruses at The Church of St. Timothy, including, but not limited to, hygiene practices and temperature screening, related to myself and/or my child(ren). The Church of St. Timothy cannot guarantee that my child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19. I understand and agree that attending The Church of St. Timothy could increase my risk and my child(ren)'s risk of contracting COVID-19.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that my child(ren) and I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by participating in programs of or attending The Church of St. Timothy and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at The Church of St. Timothy may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, The Church of St. Timothy employees, volunteers, and program participants and their families.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (printed) _____

Child(ren) Full Name(s)

Mentor Assist List Grade 10

First Semester

I will attend and assist with large group on the following dates

First Semester

September 15th _____
September 29rd NET RETREAT
October 6th _____
October 27th _____
November 3rd _____
November 10th _____
November 17th _____
December 1nd _____

I will attend and assist with large group on the following dates

Second Semester

January 5th _____
January 12th _____
January 19th _____
January 26th _____
February 2 _____
February 9th _____
February 23rd _____
March 2nd _____
March 16th _____
March 23rd _____
April 6th _____
April 13th _____
April 20th _____
April 27th _____

******Important:** - Please change with someone or find a substitute if you are unable to attend. Adult leaders are depending on your help.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Candidate: _____

Parent Assist List Grade 10

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**AUTHORIZATION, CONSENT AND RELEASE FOR USE OF
VISUAL LIKENESSES AND ORIGINAL WORKS OF MINORS**

This form allows you, the parent or guardian, to identify if images of your child and their original works may be used for purposes of print, online, social media communication and promotion.

I am the parent or legal guardian of _____ (full name of minor) ("My Child").

I grant the following rights to **The Church of St Timothy/St Timothy School** and the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis:

1. The right to use all photographs, pictures, portraits, vocal sounds, appearances/likenesses, video and performances (hereinafter collectively known as "image") of My Child in the possession of **The Church of St Timothy/St Timothy School**.
2. The right to use, reproduce, publish, exhibit, distribute, and transmit the image of My Child individually or in conjunction with other images or printed matter in the production of brochures, slides, motion pictures, broadcasts (radio, television, and other social and digital media), audio or video files, recordings, still photography, CD-Rom and any other manner of media now known or later developed;
3. The right to use, reproduce, publish, exhibit, distribute, and transmit the image of My Child individually or in conjunction with other images or printed matter on **The Church of St Timothy/St Timothy School** and the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis's Internet websites. **No home address or phone number will be published;**
4. The right to record, reproduce, amplify, edit, and simulate My Child's image and all sound effects produced;
5. The right to copyright, in the name of **The Church of St Timothy/St Timothy School** and the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, works that contain the image of My Child;
6. The right to use and publish for general communications, advertising, commercial or publicity purposes, or for any other lawful purpose whatsoever My Child's original work; and
7. The right to assign the above-mentioned rights to third parties without notice to me.

I understand that the video files, still photos, or other media incorporating the image of My Child will become the property of **The Church of St Timothy/St Timothy School**. I hereby waive the right to inspect or approve the image or any finished materials that incorporate the image.

I understand and agree that no compensation will be provided, now or in the future, in connection with the use of My Child's image or My Child's original work.

I hereby release, discharge, and agree to indemnify and hold harmless **The Church of St Timothy/St Timothy School**, the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, and their agents, employees and assigns from any and all claims, demands, right, and causes of action of whatever kind that I or My Child have or may have or may arise by reason of this authorization and from the use of My Child's image and original work, including but not limited to, all claims for libel and invasion of privacy.

This consent regarding My Child's likeness and original work is valid until such time as I choose to rescind this authorization and consent. If I choose to rescind this authorization and consent, I agree that I will inform **The Church of St Timothy/St Timothy School** in writing and that my rescission will not take effect until it is received by **The Church of St Timothy/St Timothy School**. I understand and acknowledge that it may not be possible to recall any work or photos that have been published prior to receipt of my written rescission.

I hereby authorize and consent that **The Church of St Timothy/St Timothy School** and the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis have the right to use My Child's name in connection with their educational, promotional, fund-raising activities, or for any other legitimate purpose.

Please initial: _____ Yes _____ No

I have read the above Disclosures, Authorizations, and Releases, have had the opportunity to consider their terms, and understand them. I execute this document voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance.

Parent/Guardian Name (please print): _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Pledge of Commitment

Understanding that I am still in the decision-making process about whether or not to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation, I do choose to commit myself to the confirmation program. In doing so:

- I promise to attend each session and participate in the activities, discussions, and assignments.
- I promise to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days.
- I promise to participate in the worship, service and social events of my parish.
- I promise to pray daily for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in my preparation for confirmation.
- I promise to develop my personal morality based on the will of God expressed through the teachings of the church, the scriptures and the commandments and to celebrate frequently the sacrament of reconciliation.
- I promise to use my talents in the service of others, especially as outlined by the service requirements of the program.
- I promise to attend and participate in the confirmation retreat.
- I promise to meet regularly with my adult mentor.

Candidate's Signature

Parent's Signature

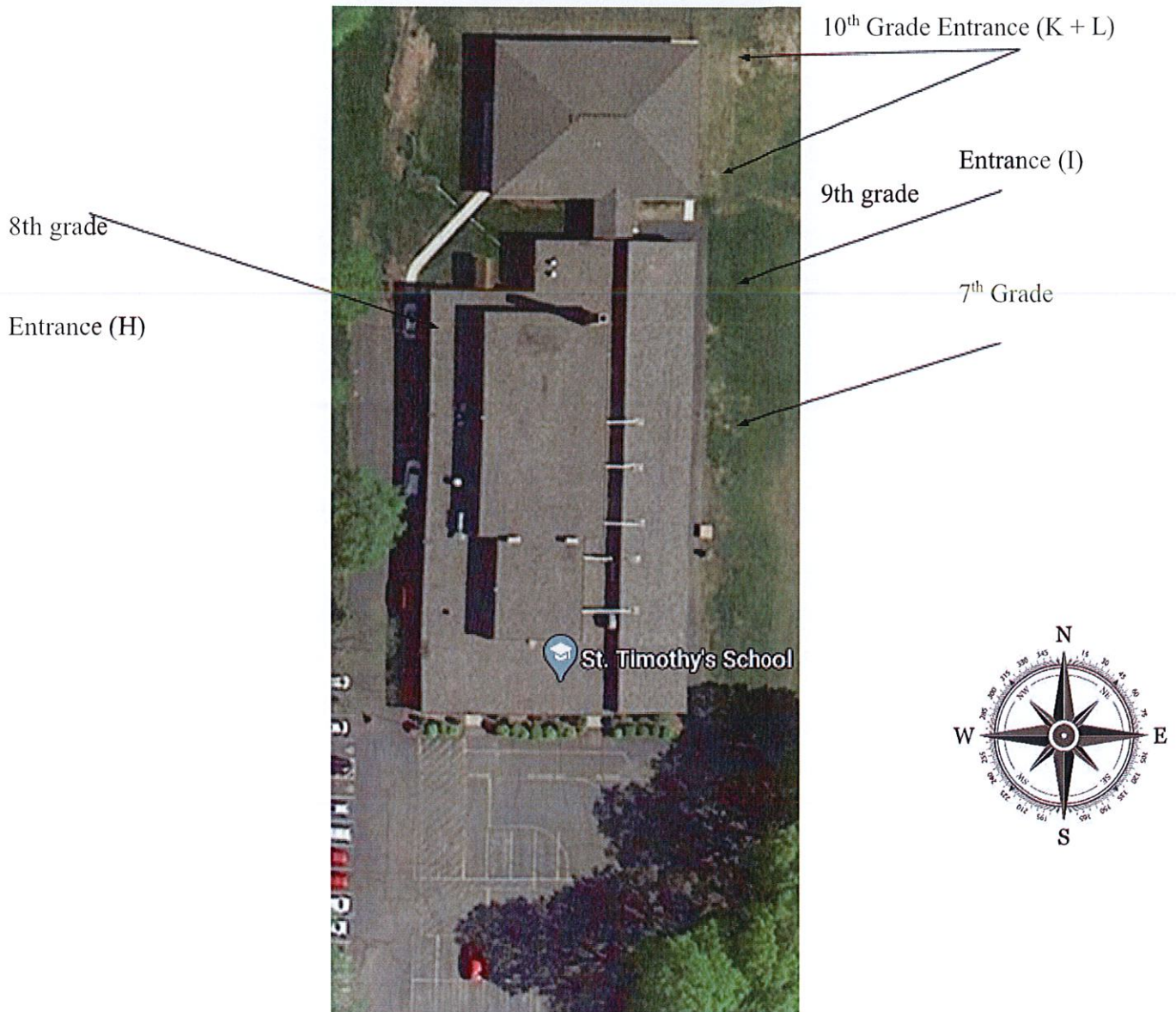
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**FAITH FORMATION
PARENT SIGN-UP
GRADE K - 10**

	Name	phone #	e-mail
1. Substitute	_____	_____	_____
2. Be a teacher aide in the classroom	_____	_____	_____
3. Provide clerical help to the staff	_____	_____	_____
4. Babysit for teachers	_____	_____	_____
5. Pray for our students, teachers & aides	_____	_____	_____
6. Assist with Retreats	_____	_____	_____
7. Be a driver for youth events	_____	_____	_____
8. Be involved with fundraising	_____	_____	_____
9. Be involved with fun Outings with Youth Ministry like (ski trip)	_____	_____	_____

FAITH FORMATION PARENT VOLUNTEERING

Please consider volunteering with our FF Program. We need substitute catechists, catechist aides, office staff substitutes and assistance with Retreats. If you choose to be a catechist or aide you receive discounted tuition. Contact Fr. Meyer if you are interested.



- 1) Covid-19 will affect Faith Formation in the following ways (until noted otherwise)
 - a. The program will start at 7:00
 - b. Students are to stay with their parents in their cars until 6:55. They can then make their way to their classroom by using the outside classroom door.
 - c. PICK-UP WILL BE DIFFERENT AS WELL
 - i. As before we will send children out into the parking lot from the outside classroom door.
 - ii. Parents need to pick up students at 8:15.
 - iii. Homeschooling is an option that can be handled on a family by family basis.