

St. Gregory the Great Family Faith Formation
250 St. Gregory Court
Williamsville, NY 14221

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to grade 2 Family Faith Formation. This year, your child will be learning more about the Catholic Faith, how to participate in the Eucharistic Celebration and, **with your help**, preparing to celebrate the **Sacrament of Penance**. It is important that you help your child feel a part of the parish community. As parents, you have a vital role in the formation of your child's faith. **Weekly attendance at Mass is important to reinforce the beliefs in our faith.** Here is some other important information:

- Our Catholic Faith includes prayer and devotion to Mary, the Mother of God. This year we have the activity **“Traveling Mary”**, a kind of reverse pilgrimage. Instead of the children visiting a shrine of Mary, each child will have an opportunity to take home the class statue of Mary for one week. Home is where your child's religious sense is nurtured. While the shrine of Mary is in your home, we encourage the family to pray together and remember Mary and honor her as our Mother.
- We will be doing a grade level **Prayer Pillowcase Project**, which will involve pillowcases, fabric crayons, and parental supervision. More information will follow shortly; be on the lookout.
- As in the past, for most lessons there are review pages which are assigned as work to be done with the family. **A schedule of this “family work” can be found on our website for you to print out.** *You may wish to send in a folder with your child to keep track of handouts, and a bag for them to carry the Book & folder to class.*
- Please have your child **use the bathroom before** the start of class☺
- All Grade 1-4 students **must be escorted into and out of the building** by their parent (or driver) through the main lobby.
- **Please check our website on a regular basis (stgregs.org) for important information and updates, and for the class schedule. If your child will be absent from class we ask that you call the office that day to let us know. (688-5760)**

We look forward to a wonderful year with you and your child as we grow in faith together! Thank you and may God Bless you.

Sincerely,
Kathy Tufillaro, Coordinator of Grades 1-4 & the Grade 2 Team