

Dear Kinderchurch Families,

We are excited to welcome you to a new year of Kinderchurch, our church's ministry for young children dedicated to building a strong foundation of faith in Jesus Christ through hands-on learning, joyful worship, and meaningful connections.

Important Information

Registration Fee

Your registration fee helps cover a full year of Bible-based curriculum, lesson materials, craft supplies, and special ministry events for your children throughout the year. This allows us to provide a rich, engaging, and faith-filled experience that supports your child's spiritual growth in a fun, safe, and nurturing environment.

Parent Involvement

Kinderchurch is a parent-supported ministry. We ask each family to volunteer for at least one Kinderchurch class during the year. Your participation is essential to the success of our program and helps foster a strong sense of community among our families. Lesson plans and materials will be provided.

About Us

My name is Marie Bunag, and I am honored to serve as the Lead Teacher of Kinderchurch. I am currently a preschool teacher at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Preschool. Assisting me are Sharon Aquino, Ellen Fidel, and Derrick Bacani, who will serve as our Kinderchurch Teacher Assistants and Coordinators. Together, we are excited to guide your children as they grow in their love for Jesus through engaging Bible stories, songs, prayers, crafts, games, and hands-on activities that help bring our Catholic faith to life.

Important Upcoming Dates: Please save these dates and RSVP where indicated:

- **August 9 & September 13** – Kinderchurch On-the-spot registration at Good Shepherd Catholic Church (10:00AM-1:00PM)
- **September 20, 2026** – First Day of Kinderchurch and Meet & Greet Social gathering (RSVP required)
- **December 20, 2026** – Christmas Pageant /Party (RSVP required)
- **June 6, 2027** – Last day of Kinderchurch and Meet & Greet Social gathering (RSVP required)

We are truly grateful for the opportunity to serve your families and walk alongside your little ones as they grow in faith and learn to know, love, and follow Jesus.

If you have any questions or would like to become more involved, please don't hesitate to reach out. We look forward to a wonderful year filled with faith, friendship, learning, and fun! May God bless you and your family, and we look forward to seeing you at Kinderchurch!

With joy and gratitude,

Marie Bunag, Sharon Aquino, Ellen Fidel & Derrick Bacani
Kinderchurch Ministry Team

2026-2027 KINDERCHURCH REGISTRATION

Kinderchurch class will be held on most 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month during the 11am Mass from September 20, 2026 through June 6, 2027.

The registration fee, \$35 for 1 child and \$30 for each additional child, can be paid through the parish website or in-person at the parish office. This fee covers a full year of Biblically-rooted curriculum, supplies for lessons and activities, and special events for your child and family throughout the year. The registration fee is waived for teachers. Financial assistance may be available. Please reach out to the Kinderchurch coordinators for more information.

Please email the completed registration packet to kinderchurch@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you and your child on September 20, 2026.

Parent/Guardian Information

Mother/Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Cell Phone: (____) _____ Email Address: _____

Father/Guardian's Name: _____

Cell Phone: (____) _____ Email Address: _____

☐ CHECK IF THE FATHER/GUARDIAN ADDRESS INFORMATION IS THE SAME AS LISTED ABOVE

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Emergency Contact Information

In the event that the parent(s)/guardian(s) cannot be reached, please list an emergency contact.

Full Name: _____

Phone Number: (____) _____

Relation to child(ren): _____

KINDERCHURCH COORDINATORS AND OFFICE USE ONLY

Registration Amount Paid \$ _____ Received By: _____

Catechist Discount Applied? _____ Date Received: _____

FORM OF PAYMENT: ☐ Cash ☐ Check No. _____ Debit/Credit (made in Parish Office) ☐ Online

KINDERCHURCH STUDENT INFORMATION

CHILD 1

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Age Group: **Preschool** (2-3 years old by 9/1/2025)

Kindergarten (attending Kindergarten this year)

Pre-Kinder (4 years old by 9/1/2025)

Is this child potty trained?

Yes

In the process of potty training (check one below):

The Coordinator, Leading Catechist or Classroom Assistant has permission to help my child if assistance is needed while using the restroom.

Please contact me if my child needs to use the restroom.

Not yet potty trained (the Coordinator or Catechist will contact you if your child needs a diaper change).

Health History of this Child

*Dietary Restrictions? Y/N If yes, describe: _____

Please leave any additional information below regarding your child having any medical conditions or allergies that we should be aware of for their safety in our classes.

CHILD 2

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Age Group: **Preschool** (2-3 years old by 9/1/2025)

Kindergarten (attending Kindergarten this year)

Pre-Kinder (4 years old by 9/1/2025)

Is this child potty trained?

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Please contact me if my child needs to use the restroom.

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Health History of this Child

*Dietary Restrictions? Y/N If yes, describe: _____

Please leave any additional information below regarding your child having any medical conditions or allergies that we should be aware of for their safety in our classes.

For families with more than two children to be registered in our program

CHILD 3

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Age Group: **Preschool** (2-3 years old by 9/1/2025)

Kindergarten (attending Kindergarten this year)

Pre-Kinder (4 years old by 9/1/2025)

Is this child potty trained?

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Please contact me if my child needs to use the restroom.

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Health History of this Child

*Dietary Restrictions? Y/N If yes, describe: _____

Please leave any additional information below regarding your child having any medical conditions or allergies that we should be aware of for their safety in our classes.

CHILD 4

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Age Group: **Preschool** (2-3 years old by 9/1/2025)

Kindergarten (attending Kindergarten this year)

Pre-Kinder (4 years old by 9/1/2025)

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Health History of this Child

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Please leave any additional information below regarding your child having any medical conditions or allergies that we should be aware of for their safety in our classes.

LIABILITY WAIVER

"In the event that I cannot be reached in a serious emergency, I authorize church personnel to call my family physician, or if the situation demands, summon the appropriate medical personnel to transfer my child to the nearest medical facility for care."

Parent/Guardian's Full Name: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

I choose not to sign the above statement. In the event of an emergency please do the following:

Parent/Guardian's Full Name: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

MEDICAL INSURANCE INFORMATION

Your medical carrier will be billed for all medical charges in the case of illness or injury.

Insurance Company _____

Name of Policyholder _____

Place of Employment _____

Doctor _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Dentist _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC CHURCH KINDERCHURCH PHOTOGRAPHY RELEASE

NAME(S) OF CHILD(REN):

**During our program we will be taking pictures of the classes to document events and special moments.
These photos will also be used for gifts made for the parents and promotional materials.**

PLEASE COMPLETE ONE OF THE TWO STATEMENTS BELOW:

I HEREBY AUTHORIZE Good Shepherd Catholic Church Kinderchurch Ministry, hereafter referred to as "Parish," to publish photographs taken of myself and/or my minor child/ren, and our names and likenesses, for use in the Parish's print, online, social media and video-based materials, as well as other Parish Publications.

I hereby release and hold harmless the Parish from any reasonable expectation of privacy or confidentiality for myself and for my minor child/ren associated with the images specified above. Further, I attest that I am the parent or legal guardian of the child/ren and that I have full authority to consent and authorize the Parish to use their likenesses and names.

I further acknowledge that participation is voluntary and that neither I, nor my minor child/ren will receive financial compensation of any type associated with the taking or publication of these photographs or participation in Parish materials or other Parish publications. I acknowledge and agree that publication of said photos confers no rights of ownership or royalties whatsoever.

I hereby release the Parish, its contractors, its employees and any third parties involved in the creation or publication of Parish publications, from liability for any claims by me or any third party in connection with my participation or the participation of my minor child/ren.

Parent/Guardian's Full Name: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

OR

I DO NOT WISH for my child to be photographed. I understand this includes photographs that would be used for gifts that the children make as a class for their parents/guardians.

Parent/Guardian's Full Name: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

KINDERCHURCH MINISTRY GUIDELINES

The following guidelines were developed to meet our ministry's goal of a well-supervised, high quality religious education for our young children. Your understanding and cooperation are appreciated.

- When signing your child into class, you will need to provide your cell phone number on the sign-in sheet, and we ask that you set your cell phone to vibrate mode while in Mass. If your child needs a diaper change or there is a need for us to reach you, you will be contacted through your cell phone.
- Both Mass and Kinderchurch classes begin promptly at 11:00am. Children must be signed into their classroom before Mass begins, but no earlier than 10:45am. Admission after 11am will not be permitted.
- There is usually a staffing ratio of 1 adult per 5 children. We will staff each class accordingly based on the number of registrations. However, if a volunteer calls out sick and we are unable to find a replacement the number of children accepted at check-in will be limited based on staffing (i.e. 2 adults = 10 children, 3 adults = 15 children, etc.).
- During sign-in you will be given a security card as part of the security process. This card must be presented at sign-out. If the person signing out does not have the security card, the child(ren) will not be released.
- For the safety of the children and to minimize disruptions to the class, sign out will begin when the teacher is ready for dismissal.
- If your child is sick, has symptoms, has been exposed or lives with someone that is actively sick, please keep them home.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE MINISTRY GUIDELINES ABOVE:

Parent/Guardian's Full Name: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

KINDERCHURCH IS A PARENT PARTICIPATION MINISTRY!

We are always in need of catechists (teachers) to assist in leading our program and classes.
Please sincerely pray and ask the Lord how He would have you support His littlest parishioners.
Peace be with you!

VOLUNTEER OPTIONS

Please check ALL options that interest you. Checking a box below does not commit you to volunteering.

TEACHER

- Prepare for class (lesson plan will be provided)
- Administer check-in process
- Supervise and lead children in structured lesson plan
- Lead children in learning the classroom Faith Focus goal(s)
- Administer check-out process
- Clean up classroom

TEACHER ASSISTANT

- Set up classroom
- Supervise children
- Assist teacher in the classroom with preparing lesson materials as needed
- Clean up classroom

PARENT/YOUTH VOLUNTEER

- Supervise children
- Assist teacher in the classroom with preparing lesson materials as needed

SPECIAL EVENTS VOLUNTEER

- Assist with preparing materials for events (materials will be given to taken home and bring on day of event)
- Assist with event set-up on day of event and/or assist during the event

LIVESCAN

All volunteers must have DOJ clearance through Good Shepherd Catholic Church if volunteering for more than 1 class.
Have you completed a LiveScan through Good Shepherd Catholic Church?

YES - under the following name: _____

NO - LiveScan needs to be completed