

STUDENT INFORMATION:

Student Name		Grade	Gender	Baptism	First Reconciliation	First Communion
First	Last	(CGS)PS-5	(Circle)	(Circle)	(Circle)	(Circle)
1. _____			M / F	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N
2. _____			M / F	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N
3. _____			M / F	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N
4. _____			M / F	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N

If your child has any ALLERGIES or special needs of which we should be aware, please indicate below.

Child's Name	Allergies or Special Needs
_____	_____
_____	_____

Areas of Parental Involvement

Catechist*: _____
(Grade and Time)

Substitute*: _____
(Time)

Check-In Table for RE 9/19 9/26 (please circle)
3:45 pm: _____
5:45 pm: _____

Supervise in theater before 3:45 class* _____

Help with one Wednesday night dinner - sign up on master calendar in office. Every family is required to help.

Nursery* for catechists children if needed.
3:45 _____
5:45 _____

***Must have Safe Environment Training and a background check.**

I give my permission to have my child photographed/videotaped by Blessed Sacrament Church. These photos/videos may be used in the West River Catholic, the Church website, bulletin boards or the Church's social media pages. Names will not be used.

My child may be photographed/videotaped: _____ **YES** _____ **NO**

****Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS)**

This program began at BSC last year. 3, 4 & 5 year old children may choose to participate at 3:45 or 5:45 on Wednesdays. Only the first 10 students to register will be able to participate in this program. Alternatively, the preschool Allelu! program is offered to those students who turn 4 by September 1, 2018. CGS is also offered on Monday mornings from 8:45 – 10:15.

As a parent of a child enrolled in RE classes at BSC,

- I will bring my child to Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.
- I will allow my child to participate in the Safe Environment Training and make every attempt to have them attend classes every Wednesday.
- I will either drop off and pick up my elementary grade child or arrange for another adult to do so from class each week.

I have read the above terms and agree to abide by them.

Parent's signature

Please cut here and attach top to RE Registration form

Parental Information for Religious Education

Fees: \$40.00/child for preschool – 5th grade
Family Maximum: \$100.00.

Scholarships are available.

Parents who are teaching a Religious Education class **do not pay** fees for their children enrolled in Grades PS – 5th.

The Kick-Off Bar-B-Q is September 12, 2018
Classes begin September 19, 2018.

Please note: Those children in grades **PS-2nd must be taken to and picked up from their classroom.** Please arrange for this each week. The teachers will not dismiss students until a parent, guardian or other approved adult comes to the classroom. This is for your children's safety.

Parent's responsibility for their child's Religious Education

The most important aspect of your child's faith learning experience is fully **participating in the Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.** As the primary teacher of the faith to your children, it is your responsibility to bring your children to Mass each week.

BSC's elementary program (grades 1-5) is "Alive in Christ." There is information about this program on their website as well as family pages. Please check it out at: www.aliveinchrist.osv.com

Blessed Sacrament Church supports the Safe Environment program mandated by the diocese. Each child will be required to participate in this program. Parents are encouraged to learn more about this program and may view the same in the office or on the diocesan web site (www.rapidcitydiocese.org). Parents are encouraged to attend the Safe Environment Training program with their child. Please read the safety information that is attached to this registration form.

All adults who have contact with children in the parish must complete the Safe Environment Training prior to volunteering. Please contact the office to arrange for training.

10 Safety Lessons to Teach your Child

Parents, it's back to school time. Your children are embarking on a new year of greater independence. They will be spending more time away from home and less time under your watchful eye. For their safety, teach your children these lessons in right relationships and personal safety:

1. **Trust your feelings.** God created us to experience emotions for a reason. When we are faced with danger, we experience fear, preparing us to fight or flee. We experience anxiety or apprehension, at times, as a precursor, warning us in advance of pending danger. Teaching your child to notice and respond to their feelings can help them avoid danger and help you know when to take a closer look at their surroundings.
2. **Treat others with respect and expect respect from others.** We are all part of God's creation and deserving of dignity and respect. By your words, actions and interactions with your children, teach them that they are precious gifts from God. Make it clear that they are to respect others and that they are worthy of respect and dignity themselves.
3. **Question the motives of adults who single you out with expensive gifts, privileges, attention...** Children are born vulnerable. It is the job of adults, especially parents, to look out for the best interest of children. Make it clear to your children that, as their parents, you are the adults whom God has called to take primary care and responsibility for them. Teach your children to be wary of other adults who flood them with gifts and attention. Teach them to question "What's up?" with an adult who wants to spend most of their time with them, hangs out with them and their friends instead of other adults, buys them alcohol, or otherwise tempts them to break your rules. Teach your children to ask the questions, "What's in it for them? ... Do they have my best interest at heart?"
4. **Avoid going alone.** There is safety in numbers. Encourage your child to take a friend along when going out, to hang out in groups, and to spend time in places where there are trusted adults to supervise or step in if they need help.
5. **Know the Rules for Adult / Child Interactions.** Teach your children what a healthy adult / child relationship is. Teach them what to expect from an adult and what to question. Encourage them to tell you if an adult is breaking the rules, or pressuring them to break the rules.
6. **Speak up.** Teach your children to tell someone if they are feeling uncomfortable. Sometimes we think we are doing the right thing by keeping our feelings inside. But if someone is making us uncomfortable, we aren't helping anyone by keeping our feelings to ourselves. If someone cares about us, they will want to know how we feel because they don't want to do anything to hurt us. If they don't care how we feel, then we need help getting out or dealing with that relationship.
7. **Know your comfort zone and expect others to respect your boundaries.** Everyone has a different comfort zone with regard to physical boundaries. That comfort zone can vary depending on the nature of our relationship with others. Teach your children to be aware of their comfort zone. Offer some suggestions about safe boundaries. Give them some ideas of what to do if someone crosses the line.

8. Be sure someone knows where you are. Reinforce to your children, that it is your job to keep them safe, but you can't protect them if you don't know where they are. Remind them, "If no one knows where you are, there won't be anyone to assist you in an emergency." Show them through your words and actions that people who care about each other, even adults, look out for each other in this way.

9. Talk to your parents. Keep lines of communication open. Inquire about your child's life. Listen actively as they speak. Teach them by listening, accepting, and respecting their privacy, that they can tell you anything. Let them know that their safety is your top priority, but you can't help them if they don't tell you what is going on.

10. Remember you have the right to say no if you feel unsafe. God created us, as human beings, with the ability to make independent behavioral choices. And as human beings, we don't always make good choices. Teach your children that they have the right to set limits on others' behavior if they are feeling unsafe. Help them decide if the behavior another individual is choosing to engage in is right for them. Reinforce to them that God, our creator, wants us to be safe. Teach your children when and how to say no.

Prayer for Our Children

Jesus, who invites the children to come to him, protect our children strengthen them in time of danger, heal them in time of sorrow give them laughter and delight, restore their innocence for such is the kingdom of heaven.

Jesus, who is the Good Shepherd enable parents to love their children well inspire all caregivers to protect those in their charge endow the clergy with great wisdom in their ministry as the Shepherd who lays down his life for his sheep.

Jesus, who is the Light of the World, endow teachers with inner sight grant doctors skill in healing imbue therapists with compassion that they walk not in darkness, but have the light of life. —Author Unknown

