## +JMJ+ Religious Education Schedule Catholic Church of Jennings County 2024-25

Classes will be Wednesday evenings
St. Joseph Parish Mass 6:00 pm
Class 6:30pm-7:30pm
Parents please pick up children in the parish center

Date	Event	
September 18	First Day of Class	
September 25	Class	
October 2	Class	
October 9	No Class— Fall Break	
October 16	Class	
October 23	Class	
October 30	Class	
November 6	No Class	
November 13	Class	
November 20	Class	
November 27	No Class- Thanksgiving	
December 4	Class	
December 11	Class	
December 18	No Class	
December 25	No Class – Christmas Break	
January 1	No Class - Christmas Break	
January 8	Class	
January 15	Class	
January 22	Class	
January 29	No Class	
February 5	Class	
February 12	Class	

February 19	Class
February 26	Class
March 5	No Class- Ash Wednesday
March 12	Class
March 19	Class
March 27	No Class – Spring Break
April 2	Class
April 9	Class
April 16	No Class- Holy Week
April 23	Class
April 30	Class

## Dear Families,

Welcome back to Religious Education for the 2024-25 year. We are so happy to be able to assist you in your mission as parents to raise your children in the faith.

Class will start at about 6:30 once Mass is over. Please try to attend Mass with your kids if at all possible. The bathrooms of the center will be open but the building will not open until after Mass.

All students will have a bag for transport and storage of their books and folders. Please give these a special place in your home, help your student to do his/her homework, and assist them in remembering to have the materials when returning to class.

We will also continue to help your children learn their prayers. Holy cards will be provided to them to assist with memorization. Memorization is so important to the young mind. Here is an excellent article on why children should memorize: <a href="https://modg.org/articles/2021-07-13-memory-skills-techniques-for-success">https://modg.org/articles/2021-07-13-memory-skills-techniques-for-success</a>

Because memorization is so important what better thing to memorize than our Catholic prayers! One of the best ways to help children memorize prayers is to say the prayers with them. Praying them daily will result in your children learning these prayers but more importantly the graces poured out upon your family will be incalculable. I also have sets of prayer cards available for families. If your family would like to have these at home to help your children learn the prayers, please let me know.

Adult Faith formation will begin this year with a study on....

Teachers will bring children back to the main hall at 7:25. We will have any needed announcements, have a time of prayer and sing the Marian Antiphon of the season before dismissal at 7:30. Children will be expected to stay in the building until parents come in to get them. Children will not be allowed in the parking lot alone.

Thank you again for bringing your children to our Religious Education program. Together let's all pray for a great year together growing in faith and love for our Lord.

**Toni McNulty**