



PRINCE OF PEACE

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

14818 W. Deer Valley Drive, Sun City West, AZ 85375

Parish Office: 623-214-5180

Catechesis Coordinator: Kristal Ostrowski, 623-344-7260 or kristal@popscw.org

2026/2027 Family Catechesis Registration

For students in Grades 1 through 8

Please fill out this form and return it to the Parish office

Family Catechesis at Prince of Peace recognizes parents as the primary educators of their children in the faith. Our program is designed to support families in growing together as disciples of Jesus Christ through Mass attendance, prayer, formation, and parish involvement.

Are you an active registered parishioner of Prince of Peace Catholic Church?

___YES ___NO

If not, at what parish are you registered and regularly attending Mass? _____

Please note: If your family is **not registered at Prince of Peace**, you must obtain a letter of permission from your parish's pastor to enroll in our Family Catechesis program. **We cannot accept your registration without this letter.**

☐ I have attached the required letter from my pastor.

We welcome all new families to our catechetical program. As part of the registration process, new families will meet with the Catechetical Coordinator to discuss their family's needs and learn more about our family-centered approach to catechesis.

Family Data (Please PRINT)

Family's Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone : _____

Father's Name: _____ Phone : _____

Mother's Name: _____ Phone : _____

For communication purposes, please include the email and phone number you want to use for Flocknote notices?

Parent/Guardian Email Address:

Parent/Guardian Phone Number:

Registration

Child's Name	Birth date	Grade level for the 2026/2027 school year	Sacraments Received** (Please circle which sacraments the child has received at any parish)	Allergies, disabilities or learning concerns, such as Autism, ADHD, IEP
			B R C E	
			B R C E	
			B R C E	
			B R C E	
			B R C E	
			B R C E	

**** B=Baptism, R= Reconciliation, C=Confirmation, E=Eucharist**

Tuition

The **2026/2027 Family Catechesis is set at \$50 per child, with a maximum amount of \$150 per family.** Tuition is due at the time of registration and is non-refundable.

Families are expected to fulfill the Sunday obligation regularly by attending the weekly Saturday Anticipated or one of the Sunday Masses.

The tuition covers a portion of the program expenditure. The parish subsidizes the remaining costs. No parishioner family will be denied being able to participate in any parish function due to financial difficulties. In these matters, families should contact the Catechesis Coordinator at 623-344-7260 or kristal@popscw.org.

Payment plans are available. Please check here if you need a payment plan _____

Once your registration has been received and processed, we will send you a secure payment link via email to complete your family's registration.

Sessions

Sessions are on Sundays from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. in St. Michael's Hall.

Classes will begin Sunday, September 13, 2026, and run through Sunday, May 2, 2027. Exact calendar is included on page six of this packet.

Where can you help?

Family Catechesis: Parents are expected to stay on campus and participate in the small group discussions led by small group leaders of the parish. Parents who serve as classroom volunteers fulfill their parent participation requirement through their volunteer service during the session. At least one parent must be attending the parent group each week. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish.

All parent volunteers must be Safe Environment certified, and session dates will be selected during the parent orientation.

Weekly Commitment

Catechist: Be prepared to teach the weekly lessons (Lesson plans are provided to the catechists.) and agree to attend regular catechetical gatherings and catechesis classes throughout the year.

Assistant Catechist: Assist the Catechist within the class and possibly substitute for the Catechist when needed. Also agrees to attend regular catechetical gatherings and catechesis classes throughout the year.

Substitute: Assist with being a Catechist Aide or Catechist on an as needed basis.

Office Support: Distribution of paperwork, making copies, filing, attendance and other duties in relationships to Family Catechesis and Youth/Teen. (*This can also be done during the week.* Our office is open Monday - Thursday from 8:00 am until 3:00 pm.)

Floating Volunteer: Regularly attend classes to make sure the buildings are secure and monitor halls/bathrooms and assist parish staff during class times or support classrooms when we are short volunteers.

Parent Small Group Facilitator: Small group leaders will lead parents through conversations about their challenges in raising Catholic children while learning more about the Church and Her teachings.

Donuts & Coffee Ministry: Assist with serving donuts and coffee following the 9:00 am Mass which includes making coffee, cleaning tables, and serving donuts.

Other Opportunities

Baptism Preparation Class: Using resources provided by the Parish, provide baptism preparation classes for parents once a month.

Family Ministries Parish Events: Assist with Parish events that are put on by Family Ministries including but not limited to the All Saints Sweet Walk, Carols and Cocoa, Palm Sunday Walk through Holy Week, etc.

First Wednesday Holy Hour & Potluck: Assist with planning, organizing, and promoting the Family Ministries' First Wednesday Holy Hour and Potluck.

Vocational Discernment: Assist with planning, organizing, and promoting vocations to the children and youth of the parish. Additionally, support the parish's current seminarian(s) by sending cards, care packages, gifts, etc.

If you have **NOT** taken Safe Environment program, check here: _____

Areas of Interest

(Please check below with the areas that you are interested in volunteering in)

- _____ Catechist
- _____ Assistant Catechist
- _____ Substitute
- _____ Office Support
- _____ Floating Volunteer
- _____ Parent Small Group Facilitator
- _____ Donuts & Coffee Ministry
- _____ Baptism Preparation Class
- _____ Family Ministries Parish Events
- _____ First Wednesday Holy Hour & Potluck
- _____ Vocational Discernment

All adults working with children **must attend and be certified through the Safe Environment program BEFORE** working in the classroom.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Do you have experience working with children or young people in ministry? ____ Yes ____ No

Do you have experience working with children or young people in the community? ____ Yes ____ No

Best number to contact you: _____

Please return the registration form along with the tuition payment to the attention of the Catechesis Coordinator.

**Prince of Peace Parish
Family Catechesis Program
Parent Agreement
2026-2027**

As primary educators of the faith, we recognize our responsibility to help prepare our child for a life of faith. We understand the following:

- **Weekly Sunday Mass attendance** is a **requirement of the program** and attendance may be reviewed periodically throughout the year.
- **Weekly classroom attendance is a requirement of the program.**
Frequent absences may affect a child's readiness to advance in the program or receive sacraments. Families experiencing extenuating circumstances should contact the Catechesis Coordinator. Excessive absences may result in a meeting with the family to discuss continued enrollment.
- We will notify the Catechesis program if our child(ren) will be absent from Catechesis classes or special events due illness as soon as possible. Additionally, we will communicate as soon as possible regarding any anticipated scheduling conflicts.
- We will receive weekly Flocknote messages regarding upcoming events and program updates. If I do not receive them, I will notify the parish.
- We will be required to attend the weekly sessions with our children to enhance our spiritual life and accompany our children on the family's spiritual path. (At least ONE parent must be in attendance each week participating in the Parent Small Groups.)

Full names of children in the program:

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Family Catechesis Calendar 2026-2027

Month	Date	Time	Description
September	13	10:30 am	
	20	10:30 am	
	27	10:30 am	
October	4	10:30 am	
	7	6:00 pm	First Wednesday Holy Hour & Potluck
	11		NO CLASS - Fall Break
	18	10:30 am	
	25	10:30 am	
November	31	6:00 pm	All Saints Sweet Walk
	1	10:30 am	
	4	6:00 pm	First Wednesday Holy Hour & Potluck
	8		NO CLASS - Craft Fair
	15	10:30 am	
	22		NO CLASS - Thanksgiving Break/Parish Feast Day
December	29	10:30 am	
	2	6:00 pm	First Wednesday Holy Hour & Potluck
	6		NO CLASS - St. Nicholas Breakfast
	13	10:30 am	
	20	10:30 am	
	27		NO CLASS - Christmas Break
January	4		NO CLASS - New Year's Break
	6	6:00 pm	First Wednesday Holy Hour & Potluck
	10	10:30 am	
	17	10:30 am	
	24	10:30 am	
	31	10:30 am	
February	3	6:00 p.m.	First Wednesday Holy Hour & Potluck
	7	10:30 am	
	14	10:30 am	
	21	10:30 am	
	28	10:30 am	
March	3	6:00 pm	First Wednesday Holy Hour & Potluck
	7	10:30 am	
	14	10:30 am	
	21	10:30 am	
	28		NO CLASS - Easter Sunday
April	4		NO CLASS - Golf Tournament
	7	6:00 pm	First Wednesday Holy Hour & Potluck
	11	10:30 am	
	18	10:30 am	
May	25	10:30 am	
	2	10:30 am	Year-End Celebration
	6	6:00 pm	First Wednesday Holy Hour & Potluck



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I, (parent(s) or guardian(s)) _____, give permission for my child(ren):

Child's Name	Birth Date	Age	Special needs such as learning differences, disabilities (Visible or invisible) or mental health concerns, allergies, or special diets.

to participate in activities sponsored, organized, or supervised by Prince of Peace Parish during the 2026-2027 catechetical year. This includes activities held on or off Prince of Peace Parish property and, when necessary, transportation provided to move participants to another location for an activity or event.

I understand that participation in parish activities involves inherent risks. To the extent permitted by law, I release Prince of Peace Parish, its employees, agents, and volunteers from liability arising from my child(ren)'s participation in these activities.

I also accept full responsibility for arranging transportation for my child(ren) from any parish activity if the Catechesis Coordinator or designated volunteers determine that my child(ren) must leave due to inappropriate, unsafe, or unlawful behavior.

In an emergency in which medical treatment is required, I authorize parish staff and volunteers to obtain emergency medical treatment for my child when necessary and when a parent or guardian cannot immediately be reached. I wish to be notified immediately in an emergency.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Emergency Phone: _____

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DIOCESE OF PHOENIX DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH MINISTRY

PHOTO RELEASE

I hereby grant my consent to use and release to: The Catholic Diocese of Phoenix/Prince of Peace Parish Catholic Church the use of my name and or my likeness or my child's name or likeness, whether in still, motion pictures, audio or video tape, photograph and/or other reproduction of me or my child, including voice and features, with or without names, in any promotional purposes involving the diocese or parish program, news features in the ***Catholic Sun*** or other media or other purpose whatsoever, except for the endorsement of any commercial products. I further agree that the Catholic Diocese of Phoenix may use or cause to be used, these items for all broadcasts, publications, or reproductions, without limitation or reservation of any fee.

I agree to allow any photos taken at Prince of Peace Parish Catholic Church related events, in which my child(ren) may appear, to be used in flyers, newsletters, bulletins, web sites, or any sharing or promotional material for Prince of Peace Parish Family Catechetical Ministry.

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Print Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Print Child's Name: Parish/Program: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

- ☐ I **DO** Give my permission to have my child or me photographed, videotaped, or featured in the parish bulletin, social media, such as Facebook or Instagram, newspaper, or Catholic Sun.
- ☐ I **DO NOT** Want my child or I to be photographed, videotaped, or featured in the parish bulletin, newspaper, or Catholic Sun.

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