



St. Clare of Assisi Parish
Faith Formation

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I thank you for coming to this site, to register for our St. Clare's Family Faith Formation Program.

As Parents and Guardians, you made the promise we make as Catholics to live as members of the Catholic Church. Registering your children for Faith Formation is a strong piece of your Catholic family life. I remind you that this builds upon our 1st Catholic responsibility – to be active in the Faith, by coming as a family to Sunday Mass.

We gather in prayer in Sunday Mass to give thanks to God for the blessings we have received throughout the week. We look ahead praying that “God’s Will be done on Earth” for us, and through us. Our time spent at Mass helps to prepare us spiritually for the days ahead and allows us an opportunity to reflect on how God is working in our lives. We also look where we have failed or are stuck, we open ourselves to God’s help in Communion.

Our most Catholic ‘basic rules’ / precepts of the Catholic Church are:

- *to attend Mass weekly*
- *to financially support the parish*
- *to be of service to people in need*

How families can support the parish:

Stewardship Commitment – The Offertory Collection is the life blood of the parish. Whether you give weekly, monthly, quarterly, or annually, a consistent contribution allows our parish to budget and plan for our future. The committed monthly offering/donation covers faith formation expenses.

The New Testament talks about the importance and benefits of giving. We are to give as we are able. Sometimes that means giving more than 10 percent; sometimes that may mean giving less. It all depends on the ability of the Christian and the needs of the body of Christ. Every Christian should diligently pray and seek God’s wisdom in the matter of participating in tithing and/or how much to give ([James 1:5](#)).

To support both the parish and our Office of Faith Formation, I ask that you consider contributing \$35 per month. While some families can contribute more and some less, that \$35 monthly offering goes a long way in supporting the work of forming the young people in our parish. If you are not able to donate the suggested offering, please contact CRE Verna Mullen, vmullen@stclarenj.org or 856-467-0037 x108.

If COVID-19 has caused you employment or income problems, please know we are here to be supportive. Just call and speak to Mrs. Verna Mullen @ 856-467-0037 x108.

As we continue through these challenging times, please know that you and your family are in my daily prayers.

May our Blessed Mother and St. Clare intercede for us,

Fr Edward Kennedy