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Dear families,

As a new year of faith formation approaches, we are eagerly preparing for the return of all grade levels to in-person learning. To ensure that we have a safe learning environment, we are including the **RETURN STRONG** *Back to Faith Formation COVID Plan* for your review. This document outlines the health measures that are currently in place to ensure the safety of all those who participate in parish programming. Developed in accordance with guidance from local health officials, the CDC, as well as recommendations set forth by the Diocese of Madison and the QP COVID Task Force, this plan provides a framework of consistent protocols for the use of parish facilities. As the pandemic continues to evolve, periodic reviews of these policies and procedures will take place and any appropriate adjustments made. We ask that you read through this document, then sign and return the *Policy Agreement Form* as part of this year's registration process.

As always, we recognize that parents are the first and best educators of their children. Should you not yet feel comfortable having your child(ren) attend in-person sessions, corresponding lessons and resources can be completed at home. To choose this option, please check the box for *At-Home Learning* near the top of the Registration Form.

There are two ways that you may register for this year's faith formation program: manually or online. A directions sheet outlining the step-by-step process for both forms of registration is included with these materials. We ask that you please submit completed registrations by Sunday, September 26th.

Finally, without the generosity of those willing to share their faith, in-person faith formation is not possible. We are currently in need of additional catechists/catechist aides for grades 1, 5, and 6. All lesson resources and support are provided, as well as a small stipend for each session. We ask that you prayerfully consider being a part of the program, and if interested, contact <u>Kay Schachte</u>.

We are looking forward to a wonderful and faith-filled year! If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With kind regards,

