



*Dear Parents and Guardians,*

*Thank you for enrolling your child in our Parish's CCD (Confraternity of Christian Doctrine) Program and for the privilege you thereby share with us in the great work of educating your child in the Faith, opening up an awareness in your child of the Love that God has for each one of us!*



*The CCD Handbook has many resources to assist you throughout the school year, including CCD Calendars (subject to change), CCD Program policies, contact information, emergency policies, and school maps with safety protocols for drop-off and pick-up. Please keep your Handbook handy all year—if you do not have one, please call 703-765-4421 or email [ccd@saintlouisparish.org](mailto:ccd@saintlouisparish.org) for a copy! Upcoming changes to the CCD Calendar will be announced in the Parish Bulletin, so be sure to check the Bulletin each week for updates.*

*The CCD Program represents the efforts of many—our priests, staff, and volunteers (teachers, teacher's aides, substitute teachers, hall monitors, office monitors, and others)—whose generous commitment of time and talents supports the education of your child in the Faith! Please remember to thank our volunteers for witnessing to the Truth and to be generous with your patience and support, too!*

*Having students in class only 75 minutes per week for 29 weeks limits what volunteer teachers can accomplish; **your ongoing encouragement and support during the rest of the week with your child's lessons and assignments are critical to the Program's success.** Every child old enough to attend CCD should attend weekly Mass on Sundays, as well as the Holy Days of Obligation, as the most critical component of their religious education!*

*The Office of Religious Education is dedicated to providing the best catechetical tools possible for our students and their families. If you have questions, concerns, or suggestions regarding CCD Programs or your child's experiences, please call, email, or visit the Parish Offices to discuss these matters in confidence.*

*All for the Greater Glory of God! Saint Louis, pray for us!*

*Sincerely in Christ,*