

***Our Mother of Consolation Parish
Religious Education Program
7 E. Chestnut Hill Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19118***

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Our Mother of Consolation Parish offers The Liturgy of the Word for Children (Sunday Story) at the 9:00 a.m. Mass for children **4 years old (on or before 9/01/11) to the completion of Grade 2**

This program is a lectionary-based catechesis that brings the Gospel message to children in language that is understandable for them. An activity is connected to the lesson for our time together or for home. The catechists take the children in two groups according to their age, (4-5, 6-7) to pray, read, explain, and share the meaning of the Gospel as it relates to the children. Children who are five years old in September stay in the same group for the entire year. They do not change their group when they turn six.

At the 9:00 AM Mass the priest will invite the children to come forward after the Opening Prayer. The children line up in the middle aisle and follow the leader to the sacristy. The children return to Mass after the Prayer of the Faithful. We invite you and your family to sit towards the front of the church. This makes it easier for the children to find their family members when they return from their activity.

Children must be in the church when the line is being formed to go into the sacristy to participate in the program. It is a distraction to the priest and those attending Mass to have parents and children coming up the aisle at different times. It is also a distraction to the catechists and the children who have already started their lesson. I thank you in advance for following this procedure.

We will begin on Sunday, September 25 and continue through to Sunday, May 6. Please send the registration form and \$25.00 per family (cash or check payable to OMC Parish Religious Education Program). If you are unable to pay this fee, please call me.

Please remember in your prayers our catechists who teach The Liturgy of the Word for Children (Sunday Story). They are volunteers who generously and eagerly prepare their lessons. Without these dedicated women we could not offer such a fine program.

We are in need of more catechists to teach a class about every 4 or 5 weeks. If you are interested, please call me at 215-247-0430.

Blessings,

Sr. Jane Marie Russell, SSJ

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Director of Religious Education

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Starting date is September 25, 2011

Registration for 2011-2012

Family Last Name _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Address _____
Number Street City/Town Zip

Father's Name _____ Religion _____

Mother's Maiden Name _____ Religion _____

Children to be registered:

Name	Date of Birth	Age by September 1, 2011
1. _____		
2. _____		
3. _____		

Fee of \$25.00 per family payable to: OMC Parish Religious Education Program. Thank you.

Children must be four years old on or before September 1, 2011, if not they must wait until September of 2012 to participate in the program.