



# ST. NICHOLAS RC CHURCH

## CCD RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

### Calendar of 2023–2024

*Dates are subjected to change ... Please check for updates*

#### **2023**

**Sunday, September 24 — FIRST DAY OF CCD**

**Wednesday, October 4 — BLESSING OF PETS**

To celebrate the **Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi**, patron of the animals, Fr. Firmin will bless all pets in front of the Church at 7:30 PM. **All children are encouraged to bring their pets.**

**Sunday, October 29 — ALL SAINTS' PARADE**

To celebrate **All Saints' Day**, our children will come to CCD wearing costumes as their favorite saints. They will write a line or two about the chosen saint to be read in church.

**Happy Thanksgiving!**

There will be **NO CCD** on Sunday, November 26

**Saturday, December 9 - PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY**

All parishioners and friends are invited for our Parish Christmas Party Potluck Dinner (bring your family and your favorite dish!) CCD kids Christmas Party Dec. 20th @ 6.30 pm



**Have a Blessed Christmas!** There will be **NO CCD** on Sunday, December 24 and 31 — **Classes will return on January 7, 2024**

#### **2024**

There will be no CCD on **Sunday, January 14—Martin L. King's weekend**

**Wednesday, February 14 — ASH WEDNESDAY**

It's important to come to church and bring your children to Mass or ash prayer services to receive ashes.



**Sunday, February 18 - CONFIRMATION CLASS CONFESSIONS FOR LENT**

**March - CONFIRMATION CLASS SPIRITUAL RETREAT FOR LENT** - All teens receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year will go for a day of spiritual retreat (to be announced)

**Sunday, March 24 - PALM SUNDAY**

**Saturday, March 30 - EASTER VIGIL MASS**

***The most important Mass of the Year***

Easter Vigil Mass starts at 8:30 PM

***JESUS IS RISEN!***

Celebrate Easter Mass with your family!

There will be **NO CCD** on Sunday, March 31

**Wednesday, April 17 - REHEARSAL CONFIRMATION**

Rehearsal of candidates and sponsors at 6:00 PM.

**Saturday, April 20 - Recollection for 1st Communion**

@ 10.00 AM

**Saturday, April 20 - CONFIRMATION**

8<sup>th</sup> graders will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation by Most. Rev. Bishop Michael Saporito at the 5:00 PM Mass.



**Sunday, April 21 - END OF THE CCD YEAR PARTY**

After the 12:30 PM Mass, we will all say goodbye to our catechists and friends. Food and fun, creative activities for the entire family!

**Saturday, April 27 - FIRST COMMUNION**

**REHEARSAL** and Confession for First Holy Communion at 11:00 AM.

**Saturday, May 4 - FEAST OF ST. NICHOLAS**

Celebration in honor of our beloved patron St. Nicholas — Check bulletin for the schedule of events.

**Sunday, May 5- - FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class will receive the First Holy Communion at the 12:30 PM Mass.

**Sunday, May 12- CROWNING OF BLESSED MOTHER**

The children who received their First Holy Communion this year will crown the Blessed Mother at the 12:30 PM Mass.