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EGLISE CATHOLIQUE DANS LE CANTON DE VAUD

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## CATECHISM PROGRAMME 2020-21

### **Registration Form**

Please return the completed Catechism Registration form ('Catechism Registration' on the About Us section of our website) as soon as possible - one per family – so that we can order the books and organise the classes. Your child's place will only be guaranteed upon receipt of the completed form.

### **Expectations and Commitment**

Our programme is the least demanding in the region but, even then, we accept that it won't suit everyone. If you do wish to enrol your child/ren we ask for your commitment to the programme, as follows:

- to do all you can to avoid missing classes, of which there are just 16 per year (and only 4 in ski season we do not expect students to skip all 4 lessons in ski season).
- to make sure your children arrive in class promptly at 9.30am. It's disruptive to all present when students arrive up to 20 minutes late.
- to stay for Mass afterwards; our catechism programme presumes attendance at the 10.30am Mass on catechism Sundays. We accept that occasionally this might not be possible but missing Mass should be the exception, not the norm. The large number of families leaving straight after class is noticed.
- to inform the teacher (cc: <u>englishmission@hotmail.com</u>) as soon as possible if an absence can't be avoided. Teacher contact details will be provided in early September.

The diocese expects our First Holy Communion and Confirmation students to have had two years of preparation and so, to comply with that requirement and to ensure they're adequately prepared, *students in those sacrament preparation classes who miss* 4+ *classes per year will be invited to repeat the year*.

#### Schedule

The class schedule is below. You can also check the dates on the home page of our website to avoid missing classes.

#### **Catechism Fees**

Catechism fees\* should be paid via bulletin de versement, available from Pam, or online: BCV, a/c no: 10-725-4, IBAN: CH08 0076 7000 K534 3156 6; a/c name: English Catholic Mission. No cash payments please. \*CHF100 per child or CHF250 for families with three or more children in the Programme.

#### **Baptism Certificates**

We will need to see baptism certificates of all the children who will receive their First Holy Communion or who will be Confirmed in 2021. These can be obtained from the parish where your child was baptised.

#### Children's Masses

There are six children's Mass throughout the year and we ask that you encourage your children to take part so that they can play a central role in the liturgy. Notices of forthcoming children's Masses appear in the weekly bulletin, dates of which are asterisked on the schedule overleaf – please get into the habit of volunteering your child/ren when you see the notice rather than waiting to be asked.

We want our children to grow up to be decent, caring and loving Christians but we can't achieve this goal in just sixteen classes a year. So we all have to work together - at home, at Mass, social gatherings, children's liturgy and catechism classes - to provide a solid base for our children's growth in their spiritual journey and to show them that what we do in church is connected to the way that we try to live. It's *your* enthusiasm and *your* Christianity which will rub off on your children.

# OUR LADY OF FAITH Catechism Schedule 2020-2021

2020	2021	2021
September 6 September 27 October 4* November 1 November 15* December 6 December 13	January 10 February 7* March 7 March 21*	April 25 May 9* May 30 June 6 June 13*

\* Children's Mass. The liturgy is presented by the children who attended Catechism class that morning. Children's Confession: will be arranged on a class by class basis throughout the year

# All classes at Champittet - 9.30am to 10.20am - followed by Mass at 10.30am, attendance at which is presumed and expected. We accept that occasionally you might not be able to stay for Mass but this should be the exception rather than the norm.

Dates to Note

Commencement Ceremony Mass: 15 November 2020 (introducing our FHC 2021 candidates) Confirmation Mass for our 2020 candidates: 29 November 2020 Confirmation Paperwork Deadline: 9 May 2021 Retreat for Confirmation Class: to be advised First Confession: 29 May 2021 Rehearsal for Confirmation Mass: to be advised Confirmation Mass: to be advised Rehearsal for FHC Mass: 19 June 2021 First Holy Communion Masses: 20 June 2021

## **Other Dates**

First Sunday of Advent: 29 November 2020 Ash Wednesday: 17 February 2021 Palm Sunday: 28 March 2021 Easter Sunday: 4 April 2021 Ascension Sunday: 16 May 2021 Pentecost Sunday: 23 May 2021