

Welcome Message for Parents – Opening of the Religious Education Year

Dear Parents,

With joy and gratitude, we welcome you to a new year of Religious Education at St. Turibius. Our first class will be held on **Tuesday, September 22**, and we look forward to beginning this year together in faith.

We will open our evening with a **prayer asking God's blessing upon our students, our catechists, and you—the parents who guide your children in the life of faith**. After our opening prayer, the students will go with their catechists to the school, while parents will remain in the church for an important meeting.

As we begin this year, we want to highlight what is most essential: **faith grows through worship**, and the **regular participation in Sunday Mass** is the heart of your child's formation. No lesson, activity, or program can replace the grace and encounter with Christ that happens in the Eucharist. Your presence with your children at Mass teaches them more than any textbook ever could.

Thank you for embracing your vocation as the **first and primary catechists** of your children. We are honored to accompany your family in this beautiful work of forming young disciples of Jesus.

We look forward to seeing you on September 22 and to walking together through a year filled with grace.

In Christ,

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