**GRADE LEVEL CURRICULUM FOR CATECHETICAL PREPARATION**

Grade level curriculum guidelines for PSR are listed below. Please sign acknowledging that your child will be prepared to enter his/her grade, and knows the basic prayers and tenets of our Faith as indicated for previous years. ***Please list each child(ren) registered and sign below:***

My child, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, is prepared to enter PSR Grade \_\_\_\_\_in October 2020.

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**PSR Curriculum Guidelines**

**Pre-Kindergarten** Know that God is the Creator of all things, and be able to make the Sign of the Cross.

**Kindergarten**  Be able to say Grace before meals, morning, and bedtime prayers, and understand the concepts of forgiveness and celebration of the Mass.

**1st Grade** Know the Glory Be, Our Father and Hail Mary. Have a beginning knowledge of the parts of the Mass and how and when to bow and genuflect. For the Diocese of Arlington Religious Education Policy and Guidelines go to this link: <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/uploadedFiles/CDA/Assets/PDF/Catechetics/Catechetical_Resources/SOL%20PS-8%20%2012%20tabs.pdf> 1. Faith Development: Grades 1 and 2 page 7: Students require a two-year preparation for First Communion, it is normative to begin in first grade.

**2nd Grade** Know the Act of Contrition, Guardian Angel Prayer, and receive the Sacraments of Penance and First Holy Communion.

**3rd Grade** Know the Apostles’ Creed and how to pray the Rosary.

**4th Grade** Know the Beatitudes, the 10 Commandments, and the Great Commandment.

**5th Grade** Know the Seven Sacraments and their significance, and understand the Paschal Mystery and the parts of the Mass.

**6th Grade**Knowledge of the Old Testament, including the Book of Psalms, Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy, and Stations of the Cross.

**7th Grade** Familiarity with the Gospels and books of the New Testament. Begin Confirmation preparation (including knowledge of the gifts of the Holy Spirit),

and participate in Catholic Social Teaching projects.

**8th Grade** Continue Confirmation Preparation, including attendance at a Confirmation retreat. Discuss contemporary issues of morality, including life issues, social justice, chastity, with a Catholic perspective, and receive the Sacrament of Confirmation

***I will work with my child(ren) this year to ensure preparation of the current grade-level curriculum.***

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