

# **CCD Program**

## **OPEN ENROLLMENT**

Students who attend public school or non-Catholic private schools are welcome to join us for religious education CCD Classes (Kindergarten through 12th grade) in St. Benilde's Main School Building.

Classes are held August through May on Sundays from 9:30 – 10:50 am, thus allowing students the opportunity to attend the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

## **REGISTRATION**

New students may register at any time throughout the year. Parents may register students any Sunday between 9:30 and 10:50 a.m. in the Teachers' Lounge of the Main School building.

Tuition fee for classes is \$50 for one child and \$70 for two or more children in the same family.

## **2011-2012 CCD PROGRAM YEAR**

Classes began August 28, 2011 for the 2011-2012 year and conclude May 20, 2012.

## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & FIRST RECONCILIATION**

CCD students will celebrate First Reconciliation on April 28, 2012.

CCD students will celebrate First Holy Communion on May 6, 2012, and this is also the May crowning.

# CALENDAR

**FEBRUARY 5 Class**

**FEBRUARY 12 Class**

**FEBRUARY 19 No Class** for Mardi Gras

**FEBRUARY 26 Class**

**MARCH 4 Class**

**MARCH 11 No Class** for St. Patrick's Day Parade

**MARCH 18 Class**

**MARCH 25 Class**

**APRIL 1 Class**

**APRIL 8 No Class** for Easter

**APRIL 15 Class**

**APRIL 22 No Class** for spring holidays

**APRIL 29 Class**

**MAY 6 Class** May crowning

**MAY 13 No Class** for Mother's Day

**MAY 20** Closing ceremony

# CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

These are from the Archdiocese of New Orleans:

a. Teens should participate in a formal catechetical program for at least two years (24+ months) (Year 1 - January of 9<sup>th</sup> grade year through December of 10<sup>th</sup> grade year, Year 2 - January of 10<sup>th</sup> grade year through Confirmation) prior to reception of Confirmation. A formal catechetical program includes a minimum of 30 hours per year

of instruction, follows the Archdiocesan curriculum guidelines, and includes service opportunities.

b. Parishes should bring all Confirmation candidates together specifically for Confirmation preparation. This preparation should include a minimum of six hours of formal instruction on the nature of the sacraments in general and Confirmation in particular. This preparation should also include retreat and prayer experiences, as well as instruction on the celebration of the rite for Confirmation.

c. Teens should participate in the life of the parish community, and minimally this includes regular Mass attendance and the reception of the sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. Involvement in parish ministries and activities is strongly encouraged.