

## A CALL FOR ALL CATECHISTS....

This is a call for catechists to volunteer their time for our youth. Many times we feel like we need to be doing more and what better way to have an impact on the future than to teach our youth the value of the Catholic faith.

““

YOU ASPIRE TO  
*great things?*

BEGIN WITH THE  
*little ones.*

- ST. AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO

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Catechists are always welcomed and needed so please consider volunteering your time and talent for any of the Religious Education Programs.

Contact the Coordinator of Religious Education, Cindy Brisson at 518-237-8043.

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THOU HAST MADE  
US FOR THYSELF,  
O LORD, AND OUR  
HEARTS ARE  
RESTLESS UNTIL IT  
FINDS REST IN  
THEE.

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ST. AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO

# THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

AT

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH  
TROY, NY

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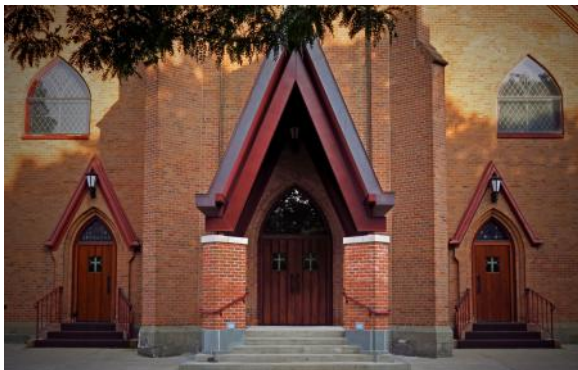
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## MISSION STATEMENT

OUR MISSION OF THE ST. AUGUSTINE'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM IS TO ASSIST ALL PEOPLE, FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS ALIKE, TO COME TO THE KNOWLEDGE, THE LOVE, AND THE SERVICE DESCRIBED BY ST. AUGUSTINE AS OUR MEANS OF APPROACHING GOD. OUR RESTLESS HEARTS ARE GUIDED TO RESPOND TO HIM THROUGH PRAYER, THE SACRAMENTS, AND OUR EMBRACING THE TEACHINGS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.



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## SCHEDULE OF PROGRAMS

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLOW)**  
(PRE-K—GRADE 3)  
SUNDAYS 10:30 AM  
LOWER CHURCH, ST. RITA'S ROOM

**ELEMENTARY**  
(GRADES 1-5)  
THURSDAYS 3:30-4:45 PM

**JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL**  
(GRADES 6-9)  
SUNDAYS 9:15-10:15 AM

**CONFIRMATION**  
(GRADE 10)  
THURSDAYS 7:00-8:30 PM

**RCIA**  
THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS IS ADULT PREPARATION FOR ANY OR ALL SACRAMENTS OFFERED BY THE CHURCH. BAPTISM AND/OR CONFIRMATION INQUIRIES BY APPOINTMENT. THE BAPTISM OF ADULTS USUALLY TAKES PLACE AT THE EASTER VIGIL.

**INDIVIDUAL INSTRUCTION**  
BY INQUIRY

## SACRAMENTS



### BAPTISM

PREPARATION BEGINS WITH AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE BAPTISM COORDINATOR. BAPTISMS TAKE PLACE ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH AT NOON.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

STUDENTS BEGIN PREPARING FOR THE SACRAMENTS OF FIRST PENANCE AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AFTER HAVING ATTENDED ONE FULL YEAR OF FORMAL RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION. THE USUAL GRADE FOR PREPARATION OF THESE SACRAMENTS IS THE SECOND GRADE. THERE ARE TWO PARENT MEETINGS AND TWO RETREATS INCLUDED IN THE PROGRAM. THE CELEBRATION OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION TAKES PLACE THE FIRST WEEKEND IN MAY.



### CONFIRMATION

STUDENTS PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION MUST BE ACTIVELY PARTICIPATING IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES OR CATHOLIC SCHOOL RELIGION CLASSES FOR AT LEAST ONE FULL YEAR BEFORE BEGINNING THE CONFIRMATION PREPARATION PROGRAM. THE CONFIRMATION PREPARATION PROGRAM USUALLY TAKES PLACE DURING THE SOPHOMORE/JUNIOR YEARS OF HIGH SCHOOL. THERE ARE REQUIRED MEETINGS TO PARENTS AND SPONSORS. CANDIDATES MAKE A RETREAT TOGETHER. CONFIRMATION USUALLY TAKES PLACE DURING THE EASTER SEASON.