

Applying to Catholic School?

Applying to Catholic school can be a tough process. The last thing you need is an unexpected bump in the road. Start preparing now for one less thing to worry about.

All Saints needs at least six months of history to be able to confirm you are an active parishioner. Take these steps well in advance of the Catholic school application process to make sure your parish has the information needed to sign your parish verification form.

Register. Once a person is an adult, the church expects that person to register under their own name. This is especially true for married couples with children. If you grew up here as a child, your parents' membership doesn't confirm you being an active Catholic. Once a new parish receives your registration, they will inform the previous parish of your move. New envelopes are then mailed to you. All of this matters.

Help us know you attend Mass. Use your parish envelopes at Mass. That is the only way the pastor can confirm you attend. If you participate in online giving, please continue to use your empty envelopes, writing "online giving" instead of an amount. It only costs \$5 annually per parish family to mail out the envelopes, so cost is not a reason to discontinue delivery. Online giving offertory cards are available on request to place in the baskets as well.

Parish verifications are also requested for being a God parent, confirmation sponsor and RCIA sponsor. Continue using your envelopes after your children enroll in Catholic school so you are always able to participate in these religious life events.

Get involved. There are many ministries for which you can do work that matters with wonderful people who can become lifelong friends. Visit our website, allsaints.us, to see what's available.



How to Register as a Parishioner

All Saints is filled with exceptional and interesting people from our community who would love to meet you. Take the first step.

Download and print a registration form, OR register online at

<http://www.allsaints.us/CommunicationsForms>.



Or scan this QR code to register on your mobile device.

Over for more tips and ideas...



OFFERTORY AND GIVING TIPS

Online Giving Options

Our church offers electronic giving, which allows you to make donations on a scheduled, automatic basis, even when you travel. If you are writing checks and preparing envelopes every week, you will especially appreciate electronic giving. It is convenient for you and provides much-needed donation consistency for our church. Our payment processor, Vanco Payments Solutions, meets or exceeds all industry standards to safeguard your data.

<http://www.allsaints.us/Giving>, or click on "Donate" at the top of the website.



New giving app for smartphone users!

We are excited to share with you a new way to give to the church. **Give+ Mobile** enables you to make one-time or recurring gifts from any mobile device using your credit card, debit card, savings account or checking account. Visit the App Store or Google Play and search for "giveplus" (no space) to download the app for free and start donating today! The app is free to download and you are not charged a fee to make donations using the app.

Enjoy Effortless Giving through Text Messages Too

- No login or account set-up required
- Easy debit/credit card registration without leaving your smartphone
- Fast one-time donations
- Option to make gifts recurring

Offertory Tips

- write your envelope number in the memo line of your paper check
- when using online bill pay, write "offertory," "campaign," or the name of the special collection in the memo line
- if donating through United Way, or another third party, use your name in the memo line so it can be traced to you. Our counters and bookkeeper thank you.

5 Ways to Feel at Home at All Saints

The parish is a busy place with lots of people doing lots of things. It sometimes can feel that it is hard to break into any one of the ministries, even though they might be eager to have new people. Because we want you to feel a part of the parish and belong, and we want to get to know and appreciate you and the gifts you bring to the parish, we have some suggestions:

1. Make Friends

Stay a little longer after Mass and be open to meeting a crowd of people in the vestibule, stop by coffee and donuts, or join the choir or another ministry. Sign up for Christ Renews His Parish. If you have children in the Parish School of Religion, Preschool or youth ministry, that is great way to get involved in some common activity.

2. Start Small

American Catholics, like all Americans, are enamored with 'big things.' But Church begins small. Jesus began with twelve disciples. Look for small discussion, study and book groups within our parish. Joining a small group is a wonderful way to learn more about your faith and meet new people.

3. Get to Work

Sharing ourselves in our work is a unifying element that makes us a part of Christ's Body, the Church. Belonging is real and genuine when we work together from the heart. "Pitching in" to help the "work" of the Church is not only good in itself, but doing God's work and becoming a part of the community. Seek out ministries of interest in our weekly bulletin or on our website.

4. Eat and Drink

At Sunday Mass, we eat and drink not-ordinary food-but Jesus' Body and Blood. It is not only an obligation to participate in Sunday Mass, but is our nourishment of God's life in us.

5. Pray

Jesus tells us, 'where there are two or three gathered in his name, he is there.' Prayer is the communication of relationship with God. When we have this relationship, with God, we are joined together like a family. We cannot feel isolated when we are joined with everyone who is part of Jesus' Body and Blood. We will think and act like a family joined together.

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