



Policy 301 – Maintaining a Parish School of Religion

St. Cecilia Catholic Church will maintain and operate a Parish School of Religion (PSR Program) for the purpose of educating children who are not attending St. Cecilia Catholic School.

The PSR Program’s operating policies and procedures will be established by the collaborating efforts of the Director of the PSR Program, the Director of Religious Education, the Business Manager, and the Pastor.

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Policy 302 – Acceptance of Out of Parish Children into St. Cecilia Catholic Church PSR

Students who are not registered in the parish are not accepted into St. Cecilia Catholic Church PSR program. Exceptions may be made for those with circumstances beyond their control, for example: students who cannot attend the PSR program in their home parish. This will be decided by the DRE in conjunction with the Pastor. Three conditions govern the acceptance of an “out-of-parish” student into the PSR program of St. Cecilia Catholic Church.

1. There must be space available. Acceptance during one year of the Program does not guarantee acceptance the following year. Class space will be given to parishioners of St. Cecilia Catholic Church first then to non-parishioners.
2. A letter must be obtained from the Pastor of the child/children stating that he is aware that the child/children are coming to St. Cecilia Catholic Church for religion classes and that this arrangement is acceptable to him. According to Diocesan guidelines for reception of the Sacraments, these “out-of-parish” students must return to their parishes to receive the Sacraments of Initiation.
3. Since Canon Law, the Universal Law of the Church, requires that Baptism be performed at the home parish of the individual and since First Communion and Confirmation complete Baptism as the Sacraments of Initiation that brings a person into the Church and makes them a full member of their parish, the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation are to be received in the home parish of the child/children.

Any alterations to this policy shall be at the discretion of the Pastor and DRE.

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