

St. Cornelius Office of Religious Education
Parent Pledge
(Concerning the Faith Formation of my Children)

I/We the parent(s)/caregiver(s) of: _____

- **Pledge** that, because the Eucharistic celebration is central to (the source and summit of) our Catholic Faith, we will make regular attendance of the Sunday celebration of Mass our family priority.
- **Understand** that as a parent/caregiver, I am the primary religious educator of my child(ren), and will do my best to support Catholic Christian doctrine within the home and will do my best to take advantage of chances provided to update my own faith journey. **Faith formation is an ongoing process and not limited to Sacramental preparation.**
- **Pledge** to support and re-enforce the faith themes introduced by the catechist (teacher). If there is confusion about what has been discussed, I will make an appointment with the catechist or speak to the Director of Religious Education. (I understand that sessions are not to be disturbed.)
- **Pledge** that my child will show courtesy and respect toward the catechist and other children and will cooperate to the fullest of their ability. If there is a continuing problem with my child's conduct, I realize I may be called upon to attend sessions with my child until the problem is resolved.
- **Pledge** that my child will attend sessions regularly and call the Religious Education Office if there is an absence. If there are excessive absences, I **understand** I will be contacted and my child may have to repeat the year in which the absences occurred.
- **Understand** that it is required to attend parent meetings, especially those concerning the Sacramental Preparation of my child(ren).
- **Understand** that our family is part of a parish community and that the community relies on volunteers. I will pray about a ministry that I may fit into, that calls on my gifts, and let the Holy Spirit guide me into service.
- **Have read** the accompanying parent information mini-handbook and **understand** what is required of me and my child(ren) as part of the St. Cornelius Religious Education/Faith formation Process.
- **Pledge that I will pray for my child(ren) every day that, through the Holy Spirit, they will continue growing strong in faith and in their relationship with God. That I will lead by example and encourage prayer, whether at mealtime, bedtime or spontaneously while beholding God's amazing creations. That my child will always know they are loved by our Father above and by us, his/her parents.**