



**Godparent’s Sunday Rededication Prep Studies
Sunday, January 29, 2023**

Dear Parents,

The Rededication service is an opportunity for students 12 years of age and older to make a conscious effort to analyze their Orthodox Faith and begin to see what importance it plays in their lives. The rededication service is strictly voluntary for only those students who are genuinely willing to commit themselves and their lives to serving Christ.

Students who wish to participate must have the support of a parent or Godparent who will participate with them in all rededication homework assignments.

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Class Schedule

Students must attend ALL sessions to participate in the Rededication service.

Date	Lesson
Sunday, October 2	Rededication Prep Intro – Knowing Christ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who do you say that I Am? - Names of Christ • The World at the Time of Christ • His Ministry
Sunday, October 9	Rededication Prep 1 – Fundamental Beliefs of the Christian Church <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God is Love • Purpose of Creation and results of Sin • Sending of God’s Son; What does Salvation mean?
Sunday, November 6	Rededication Prep 2 – History of the Church and the Creed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Eastern Orthodox Church is the Only True and Apostolic Church • What we believe – the Nicene Creed
Sunday, November 13	Rededication Prep 3 – Understanding The Divine Liturgy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Small Entrance, The Great Entrance, The Creed • Holy Communion, The Prayers and Special Services • Worship and our Senses • A Tour of the Church (video)
Sunday, December 4	Rededication Prep 4 – Saints of the Church <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is a Saint? • Who were/are the Saints? • We are all becoming Saints • Types of Saints and well-known Saints • Icons of Saints and the meaning of the objects they hold



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Sunday, December 11	Rededication Prep 5 – The Sacraments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baptism • Confirmation • Holy Communion • Confession • Unction • Marriage • Ordination
Sunday, January 8	Rededication Prep 6 – How To Pray <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conversing with Christ • Developing a daily personal relationship with Jesus
Sunday, January 15	Rededication Prep 7 – Preparing for Rededication <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What Happens at the Rededication Service • Getting ready for Holy Confession • Writing of individual bios and personal essays, <i>“Why I am an Orthodox Christian”</i>
Sunday, January 22	Rededication Prep 8 - The Teachings of Jesus Christ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Greatest Commandment • The Golden Rule
SATURDAY January 28	Rededication Prep 9 – Prosforo Baking Lesson and Holy Confession with Fr. Tom <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baking of Prosforo for Godparent's Sunday • Preparation of the Holy Gifts demonstration • Individual Holy Confession with Father Tom
Sunday, January 29	GODPARENT'S SUNDAY & REDEDICATION SERVICE DURING THE DIVINE LITURGY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rededication Service follows the Gospel Reading • Students lead/recite the Creed and Communion Prayers • Students receive Holy Communion with their Parents/Godparents
Sunday, February 5	The Next Steps: Becoming Stewards of Christ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caring for our bodies, our neighbors, the earth • Paying it forward – sharing of our time, talents, treasures



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Yes! I want to participate in the Seventh Grade Rededication Service and Prep Studies
I understand that I must attend all 1-hour class sessions, complete all rededication homework assignments, and attend the Prosforo Baking Lesson and Holy Confession with Father Tom Zaferes to be fully prepared for participating in the rededication service.

Student Name:

Student Telephone Number:

Parent/Godparent Name:

Telephone Number:

Email:

*Please return this form to Mrs. Taylor on the first day of class.
We will meet in room 209 immediately following Holy Communion.*