

Religious Education Program (REP) classes are offered for students enrolled in Kindergarten through 8th grade. Confirmation preparation classes begin in high school, and registrations are handled through our Youth Ministry Office. Please contact the Youth Ministry Office at 949-551-8602 or www.stmirvineym.com for Confirmation inquiries.

- Are you registered parishioners here at St. Thomas More? If not, complete an STM registration form with the Front Office. Check this website or parish bulletin for Front Office hours.
- From another parish? We need you to obtain a *Letter of Transfer* from your parish.
- A copy of a baptismal certificate is REQUIRED to be on file for each child that you are registering to REP.

For program year 2017-2018 (Fall 2017) – Beginning June 5, 2017, registration will be open for the entire parish. We only do registration **in person**. The earlier you register your child(ren), the better chance you have of getting the class placement that you request. **Any registration forms received after June 30, 2017 will be placed on a waiting list**, and will be placed in classes **as space becomes available**.

Please note that **we will not accept registration forms after September 29, 2017**.

We TRY to assign your child(ren) to the day and time requested (we ask that you provide us with at least two choices). Our program heavily depends on volunteers to teach our classes. Therefore, placement is dependent upon the openings available when the registration is received and our volunteers' schedules.

We are always in need of volunteers to share their love of God by teaching our young people. There are also opportunities as teacher's assistant or substitute teacher. All volunteer positions require Fingerprinting and Safe Environment Training as mandated by the Diocese of Orange. **Depending upon volunteer availability**, First Communion Preparation classes meet for an hour once a week. Classes are planned for Wednesday at 2:00-3:00pm or Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday either in the after school hours at 3:30-4:30pm or early evening hours at 5:30-6:30pm.

Under the Diocese of Orange, preparing for First Communion is a two-year program; your child(ren) must attend and complete the two years and must meet the requirements (submit copy of baptismal certificate, class attendance and knowledge of prayers) needed to complete the two-year program. At the end of the second year, your child(ren) will have the Sacraments of First Reconciliation AND First Communion.