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Dear Parents,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all help during this past year that you have offered to the Religious Education Program here at St. Raphael's. You have made my first year at St. Raphael's one of blessings. As we go forward in planning for next year, there are a few changes that are going to be made for the benefit of all. First, we listened to the concerns that were voiced about scheduling. Your registration form reflects the change. This change was based on the survey that was sent home. Over 2/3's of the surveys returned chose schedule **B**. Thank you.

I believe that the scheduling of Parent Sacrament Meetings both at 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. has worked out very well. This will continue for next year.

In regard to registration fees for next year, the Parish Finance Board with consultation with the Religious Education Board has decided to use a sliding scale fee approach instead of the same charge for every family in the program regardless of how many children are enrolled. The Religious Education Program at St. Raphael's has about 92% of the families enrolled with one or two children. The fees at St. Raphael's are consistent with the fees charged by neighboring parishes.

Below is the schedule of fees for Religious Education for 2011-2012.

Family size	Registration Fee per family	Sacrament fee: First Communion	Sacrament fee: Confirmation	Early Registration paid by June 15, 2011
1	\$140.00	\$80.00	\$95.00	\$120.00
2	\$235.00	\$160.00	\$190.00	\$215.00
3	\$275.00	\$240.00	\$285.00	\$255.00
4 or more	\$295.00	\$300.00	\$380.00	\$275.00

If you have any questions, please contact the Religious Education Office.

Sincerely,

Sister Karen Lademann, OP
Director of Religious Education