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Dear Parents/Guardians of Level One students,

Welcome! If your first child is beginning the Religious Education Program or if you have had other children in our program, this is a very important and exciting time for your child, you and your family, a time to reflect on your child's baptism as well as your own.

The beginning of a learning year brings a lot of changes, especially for parents of 1<sup>st</sup> graders. We understand that you have to make so many adjustments to support your child's school routines as well as balance schedules for athletic and extracurricular activities. You deeply care about your child's overall health, growth and well-being as a physical, social, emotional, spiritual person and we do too. As stated in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, "*The desire for God is written in the human heart.*"

Our Level One students are beginning this part of their spiritual journey together and it is our hope that they will continue to walk with each other for at least the next eight years as they learn about Jesus, enter into a personal relationship with Him and receive the sacraments of Penance, Communion and Confirmation. Therefore, it is so important that we all meet with each other and become familiar with the program and ways to support your child. I have scheduled our one and only parent meeting, during class time, with the addition of an evening meeting for Sunday parents. You may attend the meeting most convenient for you:

**Times and Place: Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> 8:30 AM Chapel; Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup> 4:30PM Chapel, Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> 4:30PM or 7PM Chapel, Thursday, October 7<sup>th</sup> 4:30PM Chapel.**

**Agenda: The Curriculum in 25 words or less?**

**Using what your child already knows to know God**

**Please Bring: A picture of your child's baptism and a Wow! picture, one that just really captures who she/he is. These will not be collected.**

Just a closing idea: When you bring your child to Mass on Saturday night or Sunday point out the school and stop by the office if it is open. We want your child to feel comfortable. This is your parish!

Enjoy these last weeks of summer with those you love,

Sincerely yours,

Louise Frangella

