



September 2020

Dear Parents,

Welcome...

to a new year of children's religious education and a new year of faith formation virtual learning! We have implemented a virtual learning program and will be using the Flipgrid platform since our restrictions, both government and diocesan directives, remain in phase 2. We have selected Flipgrid so we can have a private classroom setting with the ability for the children to respond when prompted to do so.

We have segmented the classes based on the curriculum; **Seeds (Purple folders)** will be for our pre-k class, **Promise (Red folders)** is for our kindergarten and first grade; **Good News (Green folders)** is for our second and third grade classes and **Venture (Blue folders)** is for our fourth and fifth grade classes. There are four units for the program year in this curriculum so you will be receiving 4 folders with each unit's curriculum throughout the year. The first unit folders are available for pickup Starting Monday, **September 28 through Friday, October 2**, in the Library of St. Katharine Drexel Hall (the former Narthex.) The pickup time will be from 8:30am until 4:30pm Monday through Friday. If you are not able to pick up your student's folder at that time, please let me know and I will leave extra in the Faith Formation drop box which is located outside the Parish Office doors. For added safety, we ask that you electronically sign in that you received your child's folder via our remind.com. If you haven't yet connected, please be sure to connect to our remind.com account. Text **81010** in the phone number area and **@qoacc** in the message area.

The first unit's folders are due back by November 13 at which time you will be picking up the second unit folder. A welcome video can be viewed from your Flipgrid class which will explain the process further.



Flipgrid

- ✱ To access the module learning platform using a smartphone or tablet would want to download the app. If you are using a computer, please go to www.flipgrid.com.
- ✱ The join code will be the following for each class level:
 - Pre-K – Seeds join code: **qoaseeds**
 - Kindergarten & First Grade – Promise join code: **qoapromise**
 - Second & Third Grade – Good News join code: **qoagoodnews**
 - Fourth & Fifth Grade – Venture join code: **qoaventure**
- ✱ Student Username: **Child's First and Last Name (as it appears on registration)**

This year we have the following as our virtual catechists:

Seeds - Preschool – Mrs. Wendy Bene
Promise - Kindergarten and First Grades – Mrs. Melissa Gardner
Good News - Second and Third Grades – Mrs. Valerie Lopez
Venture - Fourth and Fifth Grades – Mrs. Janet Blaylock

We continue to prayerfully work hard in making this a memorable and meaningful learning experience for the children. We appreciate your patience in receiving the details of this new virtual program. It's been a time of adjustment for all of us this year with modified school programs and religious education programs. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding any of the topics that will be provided. As we continue our programs virtually this year, I wish you all God's blessings and safety through this time of precaution.

May God bless you and keep you safe always,

Mrs. Debbie