



The Roman Catholic Community of Saint Paschal Baylon
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Dear PSR families,

We pray that you are having a peaceful and reflective Lenten season. We want to inform you of two upcoming changes to the Saint Paschal Baylon PSR program for next school year.

We have decided to adjust the time and duration of PSR for next school year. **In the 2017-2018 school year, PSR will meet from 6:30pm to 7:30pm.** Please note the earlier start time as well as the new hour time length. PSR will still meet Monday evenings from September through May.

The reason we are shortening the duration and starting earlier is that we are also going to be **expanding our PSR program to include kindergarten for the 2017-2018 school year.** We are hoping that the hour time length as well as the earlier end-time will better suit our new kindergarten students.

We like to have our PSR program be a one-stop program for families so if you have a kindergartener and an 8th grader, you can drop them off at the same time and pick them up at the same time all on one day of the week.

As with any change, we know that this will create a few new challenges that we have already started to anticipate. Details on the schedule (i.e. Night Prayers, Masses, etc.) are still in the works. The 2017-2018 PSR calendar will be available soon.

We pray that this new set-up will better serve our families. We received a positive response about the new time and new kindergarten program when we surveyed both the parents as well as the PSR volunteer staff. Over 70% of families were in favor of the time change. And of those families who have children in the appropriate age-range, over 75% said they are in favor of adding a kindergarten program. It is never too early to start learning a religious curriculum! We are very excited about the opportunity to expand our program to include kindergarten in order to offer religious education to even more children in our parish.

We truly appreciate your dedication to the faith of your children. To quote Deacon Joe, “Family is the coffee, and Church is the cream.” You are the first and best educators of your children. Thank you for the opportunity to help your children grow closer to Jesus and their faith. If you have any questions about the upcoming changes to the PSR program, please don’t hesitate to contact us.

Thank you,

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