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Parish Religious Education Program (P.R.E.P)

Grades 1 through 8 Combined Schedules

Fall 2025 - Spring 2026

All classes will be held on Sunday mornings 9:45-10:45AM

Please note: ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

8th Grade Schedule will be adjusted as needed once the Confirmation date is set by the Diocese of Allentown.

September 2025

- **14th - Opening Children's Mass at 9:00AM AND Book Pick Up and Meet & Greet with the Teachers for GRADES 1-7 immediately follows.** Parents remain with the students. Doors to the Parish Center will open following the 9AM Mass; we should be finished by 10:30AM. Light refreshments will be provided.
- **14th - Gr. 8/Confirmation Students ONLY** - Special Mass with Fr. Buckley in the Parish Center & Parent Meeting to follow - 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Dinner & fellowship included!
- **21st** - In-person Class - All Grades
- **28th** - In-person Class - All Grades
- **28th - Confirmation Investiture Mass at 11AM** **Confirmation Students will sit together in the pews down front.**

October 2025

- **5th** - In-person Class - All Grades
- **12th** - No Class - Holiday Weekend
- **19th** - In-person Class - All Grades
- **26th** - In-person Class - All Grades
 - **ALL FAMILIES - Join us at Fr. Buckley's Fall Family Festival from 3PM-5PM!**

November 2025

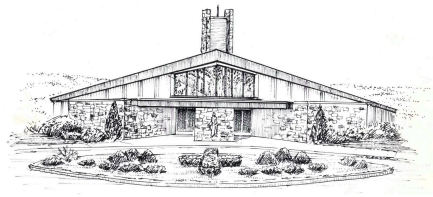
- **2nd - Class Mass at 9AM** - Grades 4 & 5 will sit together up front with their teachers & classmates.
 - In-person Class - All Grades
- **9th** - In-person Class - All Grades
- **16th** - In-person Class - All Grades
- **23rd - Class Mass at 9AM** - Grades 6 & 7 will sit together up front with their teachers & classmates.
 - In-person Class - All Grades
- **30th** - No Class - Holiday Weekend

December 2025

- **7th** - In-person Class - All Grades
- **14th** - In-person Class - All Grades
 - **ALL FAMILIES - Join us at our Gaudete Sunday Parish Family Celebration - 12PM-3PM**
- **21st, 28th** - No Class - Winter Break

January 2026

- **4th - Class Mass at 9AM** - Grades 1 & 8 will sit together up front with their teachers & classmates.
 - In-person Class - All Grades
- **11th** - In-person Class - All Grades
- **18th** - No Class - Holiday Weekend
- **25th** - In-person Class - All Grades



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February 2026

- **1st** - In-person Class - All Grades
- **8th** - In-person Class - All Grades
- **15th - Mardi Gras Celebration 10AM-12PM** - All PREP families & the parish community are welcome! Drop-in anytime between 10AM-12PM. Parents/Guardians should remain with their students (no class).
- **18th - Ash Wednesday** - All Classes attend 7PM Mass
- **22nd** - In-person Class - All Grades

Fridays During Lent

- Students in Grades 4-7 are invited to attend Confessions during a designated time, just for them (begins at 5:45PM), followed by the opportunity to attend Stations of the Cross (7PM). Families will sign up for a date & time online after the new year.
- Dates you will have to choose from: February 20th & 27th; March 13th, 20th & 27th.

March 2026

- **1st** - In-person Class - All Grades
- **7th - First Reconciliation (Gr. 2/Reconciliation Students only)** - 10AM
- **8th - Class Mass at 9AM** - Grade 2/Reconciliation Students will sit together up front with their teachers & classmates. (*PREP and St. Mike's*)
 - In-person Class - All Grades
- **15th** - In-person Class - All Grades
- **22nd** - In-person Class - All Grades
- **28th - *ALL FAMILIES** - Join us for Fr. Buckley's Annual Easter Egg Hunt - 11AM Sharp!*
- **29th** - No Class - Palm Sunday

April 2026

- **5th** - No Class - Easter Sunday
- **12th** - In-person Class - All Grades
- **19th** - In-person Class - All Grades
- **25th - First Eucharist Retreat (Gr. 3/FE Students only)** - 9AM
- **26th** - Last Class - All Grades
 - *Lite refreshments & fellowship will follow in the gym until 11:30 - please join us!*

May 2024

- **2nd - First Eucharist (Gr. 3/FE Students only)** - 10:00AM
- **3rd - Children's Mass at 9:00AM** - May Crowning & Honoring of First Communicants. **First Communicants will sit together in the pews down front. (PREP and St. Mike's)**