

*Seton Catholic School*  
*at*  
*Our Lady of Lourdes † Saint Anne*

Dear New and Returning Seton Catholic School Parents,

Welcome to the 2018 - 2019 academic year of Seton Catholic School, which has become a ministry of Our Lady of Lourdes † Saint Anne. Seton School is founded on the values and principles of Catholic faith, which are integrated within our school, its classrooms and curriculum. It is a Christian community, where children and staff are encouraged to love and serve others as Jesus did. Parents especially are valued as the primary teachers of their children in the practice of faith, both at home and in school related activities.

We are united in the enterprise of growing our beloved children into people who learn to understand and appreciate the deep realities of faith, even as we help them to live as well-educated citizens and leaders in an ever changing world.

Because Seton is a Catholic School, the pastoral leader and principal ask:

- That you take seriously your own active journey of faith.
- That you worship weekly in your parish and bring your children to worship.
- That you help strengthen parish life. Whatever parish you come from, it is likely that Stewardship as a way of life is practiced. Your time, talent and treasure are areas of response to Christ's call to follow him.
- For parishioners at Our Lady of Lourdes † Saint Anne, the annual commitment provides us with a sign of each family's desire to strengthen our community.
- For those of you who worship through other denomination or who have no denomination, we hope that you find the commitment to love and serve growing in your own lives.

Our Lady of Lourdes † Saint Anne asks you to consider whether you want to accept the obligations of a cluster sponsored school and its Parish supported tuition rate. The enclosed commitment form signed by the pastor or pastoral leader states that the family understands their commitment to the life of faith in the parish.

If a family chooses not to be actively engaged in a catholic parish, they are asked to pay the non-parish sponsored rate.

Catholic parents may want to recall the promise made at the Baptism of their children:

"It will be your responsibility to train your child in the practice of faith.  
Do you clearly understand what you are undertaking?"

We are happy you want us to work with you to achieve this end.

Grace and peace to you and your children, today and in the days ahead.



Fr. Gary Tyman  
Pastor



Patricia Selig  
Principal

Church/Parish \_\_\_\_\_

School Year - 2018-2019

## FAMILY/CHURCH COMMITMENT FORM CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Catholic education recognizes parents as the primary educators of their children. When parents make the choice of a Catholic school, they enter into a partnership in the education and formation of their children. This partnership becomes most effective when the formal education that takes place in the school is reinforced and witnessed in the home. This is particularly true in regard to the faith formation of children, where it is reasonable to expect that the Gospel values espoused in the Catholic school are actively lived out in the home.

The **Family/Church Commitment Form** represents the formal expression of the intent of parents and parishes to join in active partnership in the formation of their children. Parents, as primary educators commit to:

1. Formal registration in a parish or church
2. Regular church attendance; and
3. Spiritual, personal and financial support of the parish or church.

Catholic parishes, in turn, commit to the spiritual support of member families in the education/formation of their children, as well as support of Catholic Schools. Non-Catholic churches are asked to make a moral commitment of support of the family's efforts to educate their children.

It is understood that the vast majority of parents with children in Catholic schools are already meeting and/or exceeding the above expectations. The completion of this form for these families serves as an affirmation of that commitment and participation in parish life.

Parent Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
**(as registered in Parish/Church)**

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Child(ren)'s Name(s)	School (as of next September)	Grade (as of next September)
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### Family Commitment:

I/we understand that our role as primary educator calls us to be active in the life of our parish and school. This involves formal registration in the parish, regular attendance, and financial support to the extent that family circumstances allow.

Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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### Church Commitment:

This family is recognized as members of our faith community, and will be supported in their desire for a Catholic school education.

Pastor or Delegate Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_