

Greetings To All Parish Families!

First, a big thank you for making sure your children continue their faith formation through PSR!

Second, for those who have not yet heard the news, I am retiring as of this week! It is both joyful and sad to leave a position I have thoroughly enjoyed for over three years. Knowing we overcame the pandemic together, continued PSR and conquered the shortage of classrooms just illustrates we can do all things in Christ!

Getting to know your children is an honor for me, but the part I can play in bringing them closer to God is nothing short of humbling. As the first official OLOL Director of Religious Education, my goal was to form a firm foundation upon which to build. Parents and Catechists made that task extremely simple, and I cannot fully express my thanks to each of you. I'm still available to anyone who needs a shoulder or assistance. My contact information will remain the same, and it would be a pleasure to stay in touch! I am not leaving or taking another position; just making time to get healthy and spend lots more time with my family. I will remain as the VIRTUS coordinator and will be an active volunteer. I look forward to seeing all of you at Mass!

I leave you in good hands with Mrs. Beth Wright. Beth comes to us from Denver CO and recently retired as a Catholic High School theology teacher. Her new position as Director of Youth Religious Education means her focus is fully on parish families. I encourage you to meet Beth as you drop off your children at PSR. All students will meet Beth in person during classes. Nothing else will change for now and I trust you will be as supportive of Beth as you have been for me! She will be in touch to say Hello and meet you formally. To more fully support the PSR program, and Mrs Wright, please join the Education Commission and/or volunteer to help in the classrooms. You are your child's primary educator so get involved!

One thing I want to pass on and for you to remember is this:

We are all Children of God, thus....

YOU WILL NEVER LOOK INTO THE EYES OF SOMEONE GOD DOES NOT LOVE!

Treat everyone you meet with respect and dignity, as you would wish to be treated. The Lord knows your heart and mind so make Him smile!

I pray for peace, health and happiness for all of you. See you at church!

Blessings and Prayers,
Vicki Irsik