



# The Anchor Faith Formation & Sacramental Preparation 2024-2025

We are excited for you and your entire family to join us for the 2024-2025 Anchor Program at Spirit of Christ. This program is for children in Pre-K through 5th Grade and their parents. Nursery care is also available for children under the age of 3.

## Family Commitment to Anchor

**Anchor Parent/Guardian Responsibilities** In addition to being the primary educators in the faith, parents by their enrollment into the Anchor agree to support the process in the following ways:

**Domestic Church:** It is important to recognize that the Anchor catechists assist the domestic church (your household) in training the children in the faith; they cannot replace you, nor is the Anchor sufficient to fully pass on the faith to the children. Please walk with your child every step of the way and be sure to share the beauty of the faith with them on a daily basis.

**Safe Environment Certified:** If not already safe environment certified, parents agree to ensure that one adult in the family will become safe environment certified by the Archdiocese of Denver within 6 months of enrollment. This will allow families to participate in the volunteer opportunities. You can find Safe Environment classes here:

[https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg\\_list2.cfm?theOrgID=36848&theme=0](https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theOrgID=36848&theme=0)

**Hall Monitors:** Contribute to the safety of the program by serving as a Hall Monitor on a rotating basis. Volunteers must be safe environment certified. Duties include: Patrolling the hallways, offering an official presence, and accompanying any stranger to the front desk where they can be further assisted by staff. Assist the catechist by ensuring children released from class to use the restroom do so and return to class in a timely manner. Only one child in the bathroom at a time. In the event that your child's class is short a catechist, you may be asked to forgo the parent presentation and sit as an observer in the class your child is taking.

**Attendance Policy:** For children: 1st and 2nd absence is ignored. 3rd absence results in the possibility of the parish or volunteer staff contacting the family. Please consider this a wellness check. If there is something the parish can do to help, we would like to. 4th absence results in the possibility of the Director of Faith Formation, in consultation with the family, determining if the Anchor alone is the best fit for the child, or if supplemental or alternative means should be employed.

**Attendance for children in Sacramental Preparation,** absences greater than 4 missed classes may result in a delay of receiving sacraments. In addition, all meetings and retreats are mandatory.

**Parent Attendance:** A parent or guardian MUST attend the parent session every time the child is in a children's session. This is not a drop off catechesis program. Furthermore, since building community is an important aspect of the Anchor, it is best if the same person or persons can be present for the sessions.



**The Anchor - Spirit of Christ**  
**Wednesdays 5:50-7:15**

Students will be checked into their classrooms and parents & guardians proceed to Spirit Center Middle.

**Anchor & Sacramental Prep Schedule**  
**for 2024-2025 School Year**

Wednesday, September 11, 2024	Anchors Away! -- Meet your Catechist
Sunday, September 15, 2024	SUNDAY: Sacramental Prep Meetings 12:30-2:00 SPY1 Track: Reconciliation 2:30-4:00 SPY2 Track: Confirmation & Eucharist
Wednesday, September 18, 2024	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Wednesday, September 25, 2024	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Wednesday, October 2, 2024	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Wednesday, October 9, 2024	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Wednesday, October 16, 2024	Anchor Classes: Safe & Sacred
Wednesday, October 23, 2024	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Wednesday, October 30, 2024	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Wednesday, November 6, 2024	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Wednesday, November 13, 2024	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Wednesday, November 20, 2024	No Classes~Parish Mission
Wednesday, November 27, 2024	No Classes~ Thanksgiving
Wednesday, December 4, 2024	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Wednesday, December 11, 2024	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Wednesday, December 18, 2024	No Classes~Christmas Break
Wednesday, December 25, 2024	No Classes~Christmas Break
Wednesday, January 1, 2025	No Classes~Happy New Year
Wednesday, January 8, 2025	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Sunday, January 12, 2025	SUNDAY: Sacramental Prep Meetings 12:30-2:00 SPY1 Track: Reconciliation 2:30-4:00 SPY2 Track: Confirmation & Eucharist
Wednesday, January 15, 2025	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Wednesday, January 22, 2025	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Wednesday, January 29, 2025	Anchor Family Faith Celebration - Adoration
Wednesday, February 5, 2025	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Saturday, February 8, 2025	SATURDAY: SPY1 Track: Reconciliation Retreat- 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Wednesday, February 12, 2025	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Wednesday, February 19, 2025	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Saturday, February 22, 2025	SPY1~Sacrament of 1st Reconciliation
Wednesday, February 26, 2025	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Wednesday, March 5, 2025	No Class: Ash Wednesday
Wednesday, March 12, 2025	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Wednesday, March 19, 2025	No Classes~ Spring Break
Wednesday, March 26, 2025	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Wednesday, April 2, 2025	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Saturday, April 5, 2025	SATURDAY: SPY2 Track: Confirmation & 1st Communion Retreat- 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Wednesday, April 9, 2025	Anchor Family Faith Celebration - Living Stations of the Cross
Wednesday, April 16, 2025	No Classes~ Holy Week
Wednesday, April 23, 2025	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Sunday, April 27, 2025	SUNDAY: Sacramental Prep Meetings 12:30-2:00 SPY1 Track: Reconciliation 2:30-4:00 SPY2 Track: Confirmation & Eucharist
Wednesday, April 30, 2025	Anchor Classes & Parent Session
Friday, May 2, 2025	Rehearsal: Sacrament Mass (Confirmation/1st Communion)
Sunday, May 4, 2025	1:30pm Sacrament Mass (Confirmation/1st Communion)
Wednesday, May 7, 2025	Anchor Family Faith Celebration - End of Year Celebration
Sat./Sun., May 10, 11, 2025	May Crowning~All Masses (SPY 2 Children)