



Dear PSR Families,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 PSR Year! We hope you had a wonderful summer and made many fun, happy memories together as a family. It is hard to believe that school is back in session; we hope that it is off to a great start.

We are thrilled to kick-off this PSR year after months of planning and preparation with God's hand being at the center of it all. We believe your child will enjoy the solid, creative At-Home PSR Program we have in place. Our excellent team of catechists are very excited to share their love for the Lord and our Catholic faith with your children, and we cannot describe how much we appreciate all the time, effort, and love they have put into helping us prepare for this year.

God is the Master Planner, and we believe this year will give your child and you the opportunity to truly grow in our relationship with the Lord and in our faith. In this folder, we have included all the directions you will need for your child to have a successful PSR Year. Please know that you are all in our prayers, and we are here for you if you have any questions or concerns.

We are so blessed to have such a wonderful community of God-loving people here at St. Gabriel. We go forward with positivity and love in our hearts keeping Philippians 4:13 in mind, "We can do all things through Christ who strengthens us."

Peace and Blessings,
Veronica, Rachel, Paul, and the PSR Team

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"Peace begins with a smile." – Mother Teresa

Important Directions for the 2020-2021 At-Home PSR Year

Below you will find the “pieces and parts” you and your child will need to have a successful PSR year, but please keep in mind that Rachel and I are only a phone call or email away if you need any assistance. One of the beauties of this year is that your child will be able to complete his/her PSR lesson at your family’s convenience.

What your child will need for a lesson:

- ***Finding God* Workbook**
- Access to **Assignment Calendar** to check for Session of the Week and any possible activities or crafts and/or pull-up possible videos for the lesson
- **Cell phone or iPad** to complete Interactive Activities (using QR codes found on pages...directions below)
- Access to **Catechist Video Lesson** (*if* one is provided that week on the calendar)
- **Take Home Bag** (for activities or crafts that may be planned for the lesson)
- Access to **Online Interactive Session Review** (to be completed after each session)

Most lessons have a session in the workbook to complete; however, a few may instead have one or more of the following: specific pages to read (for a special time in the Liturgical Year), a video to view, and/or a craft or activity to complete, so **looking at the Assignment Calendar is vital for every lesson! It is IMPORTANT to know that the Assignment Calendar is actually a “Live” document that will change periodically, so a link to get you directly to this “Live” Assignment Calendar will be sent in a weekly Wednesday email. Please be sure to use the emailed link every week.**

Weekly Steps to Follow for a Lesson:

- 1. Check Assignment Calendar for session of the week, possible videos, and/or activities/crafts.** (Link will be sent in a weekly Wednesday email and videos can be accessed directly off of the calendar.)
- 2. Check emails every Wednesday for any extra directions or updates.**
- 3. Read and discuss the session in the *Finding God* workbook with your child.**
- 4. Have your child complete the written work and interactive activities on the pages.** (To bring the lesson alive, integrated throughout the book, multimedia content is accessible through QR codes that can be scanned by any mobile device or tablet with a camera and internet connection. Simply have your child open up the camera on the device and hold the camera over the QR code, and the link to click will automatically appear.) The interactive activities can be Scripture readings, stories, videos (audio only or audio and visual), review activities, and different types of games or puzzles.
- 5. Have your child view any video and/or complete any craft/activity that may be listed on the Assignment Calendar or in an email.**
- 6. Have your child complete the Online Interactive Session Review and email results to us.** These are quick checks for understanding of the material and are to be completed after each session in the workbook. (Directions to access and email these results are below.)

Directions to Access and Email *Finding God* Interactive Session Review

1. Go to <https://www.loyolapress.com/faith-formation/finding-god/finding-god-2021/>
2. Click on Family Resources.
3. Select Grade/Resource.
4. Go to the correct Session Number and click on the Interactive Session Review.
5. Have your child answer the questions. He/she may have to refer to workbook to answer some questions.
6. Email the results by filling in stgabespsr@gmail.com for the email address and your child's first and last name.

Directions to Locate the *Finding God* Lesson Plans.

To help guide you through the session with your child, you may find it very helpful to use the lesson plan provided for parents. The plans for each session in the Loyola Press *Finding God* book can be found by...

1. clicking on this link:

<https://www.loyolapress.com/faith-formation/finding-god/finding-god-2021/parents-and-students/>

2. After clicking the link, you will see this...

Families

Finding God offers parents and families materials specifically designed for use at home whether catechesis takes place in the parish, school, or home. From **at-home, family friendly lesson plans**, to **interactive study guides**, to the exciting online game **Fishers of Faith**, the activities listed below will refresh your own faith while helping you become an active partner in your child's faith formation.

Family Quick Guide: Use this guide to lead children from different grades or studying different chapters through their material at the same time. ([English](#) / [Spanish](#))

Additional Resources

[Finding God e-newsletters](#)

Select Grade/Resource

- [Kindergarten](#)
- [Grade 1](#)
- [Grade 2](#)
- [Grade 3](#)
- [Grade 4](#)
- [Grade 5](#)
- [Grade 6](#)
- [Grade 7](#)
- [Grade 8](#)

3. Click on your child's grade level, and then this below will appear where you will click on the Unit next to the "At-Home Edition." It will then take you directly to the lessons.

Finding God: Family Resources: Grades K-8

Grade 1 Resources

Together as a Family

[At-Home Edition](#)

[All Units](#)

[Unit 1](#)

[Unit 2](#)

If you are in need of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us by phone or email. We are so looking forward to taking this faith journey with your precious child and you.

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