

“Let the Children come to me.” (Matthew 19:14)

To the parents of our young children, we are glad you and your family are here! May we suggest...



- **Relax!** God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome!
- **Sit upfront** where it is easier for the little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar.
- **Quietly explain the parts of the Mass** and the actions of the priest, deacon, altar servers, lectors, etc.
- **Sing the hymns**, pray and voice the responses. Children learn how to share in the liturgy by following your example.

If you have to leave Mass with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back!

Remember, the way we welcome children directly affects the way they respond to God, to the Church and to one another!



To the other members of our Parish Family...

The presence of children and young families in our Parish is a blessing from God and a gift to the Church! Please welcome all our children and give your support and encouragement to the parents. If you see a parent struggling, please offer to help them! Together, we are the Body of Christ!