

**A LETTER HOME TO THE FAMILY OF SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN**

Dear Parents and Family Members,

We know that our faith teaches us that weekly Sunday Mass attendance is essential for our spiritual life and that we are “strongly encouraged” to receive the holy Eucharist. Moreover, the reception of the sacrament of Reconciliation is another integral part of the practice of our Catholic faith.

As we strive to promote excellence in both the personal and professional aspects of our lives, I think we can all agree that God’s “best” for us also includes a lively and passionate commitment in the way that we practice our faith.

As we begin this new school year, I would like to tell you about an opportunity to participate in the LANDINGS program, an eight-week series of meetings, during which a small group of active Catholics, some of them “returnees” themselves, meets with a small group of inactive or returning Catholics to share and explore their faith together. There is no pressure, no judgment, no interrogation—just an invitation to “come home” and to explore in complete confidentiality the possibility of a more active return to the faith. LANDINGS will begin at [name of church] on [day of week], starting on [date].

Perhaps you know someone who has been away from the Church for a while, or maybe you are looking to renew your own commitment to becoming an active Catholic again. What better time than now?

To get started, please contact [coordinator’s name] at [telephone/email]. I have worked with [coordinator’s name], and I give LANDINGS my highest endorsement. Please spread the word and encourage someone to “come home” to the Catholic Church!

Sincerely yours,