

Grade Eight: Expectations of Parents

1. Participate in the celebration of the Eucharist with your son/daughter each Saturday evening or Sunday and every Holy Day of Obligation.
2. Celebrate the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation (“go to Confession”) regularly; take the whole family.
3. Make it a family priority for your son/daughter to attend faith formation classes.
4. Include prayer as a part of your daily ritual/routine and at special gatherings and celebrations. Pray a family Rosary regularly.
5. Invite your son/daughter to lead prayer at special gatherings/meals/celebrations.
6. Help your son/daughter to appreciate and understand his/her sexuality in light of Church teachings.
7. Read and discuss scripture with your child, especially the readings for the upcoming Sunday.
8. Participate as a family in “whole church” (intergenerational) parish activities when offered.
9. Discuss the content of each religion class and your child’s understanding of it. Make it a family learning experience. Provide feedback to the catechist.
10. Discuss your own personal faith experiences with your child, e.g., how you encountered Christ in your life today; what actual grace did you receive?
11. Encourage your child to use Catholic websites, including the diocesan website: www.dioceseofmarquette.org.