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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Greetings! My name is Jonathan Galo and I am pleased to introduce myself as the new Director of Youth Faith Formation here at St. Anthony's. Just a little background about myself. I am a very recent graduate of Boston College's School of Theology and Ministry earning my Masters of Theological Studies. Prior to that I earned my Masters of Arts in Theology at Holy Apostle's College and Seminary. I have been working in parishes for the past four years, learning the ins-and-outs of Faith Formation programs. I am beyond excited to be starting this new journey with such a warm and welcoming community!

It is my hope as the new Director of Youth Faith Formation to create a program that not only educates our youth about the content of our faith, but also instructs and guides them in such a manner that they are able to take what they have learned in the classroom and put it into practice in their daily lives. I do not want your child(ren) to think of their participation within this program as an extension of their general schooling. Rather, I would like for them to see their time here as a way in which they can grow in their personhood and faith, forming bonds with those who are on this same journey. Through this program we are creating a community founded on discipleship that calls the students to work with one another in order to become closer followers of Christ. Ultimately it is my hope for those who go through this program to become stronger in their faith and to live that faith in every moment of their lives.

Enclosed with this letter you will find important information regarding registration for this coming program year. It is very important that we receive this information by the requested dates as we are currently in a year of rebuilding and redesigning the program including a new database. During the course of the year we will also be sending out reminders pertaining to important dates and meetings, so please be on the lookout for that. All of this information can also be found on our website at <http://www.stanthonyscapecod.org/faithformation>

It is my hope that I can best serve you and your child's needs for this upcoming year. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to get in touch with me at any time at **stanthonyfaithformation@comcast.net** OR at **508-548-3515**. I will also be available at the Faith Formation office (located in the Lodge) during the week from Monday-Thursday or on Sundays during Faith Formation classes. Again, I cannot wait for this year to start and meet all of you in person and look forward to a great year!

Sincerely,

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