My name is Jeanette Westermann and am so excited to be your child's Religious Education catechist this year. I have taught Religious Education for 12 years, with this being my 8th year teaching at St. Joe's and my 7<sup>th</sup> year teaching second grade here. My family is a blended family of seven children, most of which are older, but we have a son in ninth grade. Our family includes six grandchildren.

This is such an exciting year with your child receiving two sacraments! You may find, as we did the year our son was in second grade, that this year can be a wonderfully spiritual year of growth for the whole family. I am looking forward to sharing this very special time with you and your child. If you have any questions throughout the year, please feel free to contact me at <a href="www.iwester@charter.net">www.iwester@charter.net</a>.

I am looking forward to a wonderful year and to meeting you soon.