

Parent Core Topics 2011-2012 (2nd semester)

FAMILY AND CHILDREN FAITH FORMATION (FF) CORE TOPICS

All parents of children in classroom based Faith Formation programs were required to attend three (3) CORE topic meetings throughout this school year. The requirements are met by family, not by child, so no matter how many children you have in our programs, you are still only required to attend three (3) Adult Faith Formation sessions, along with bringing your children to their weekly classes.

Fr. Pat has stated: *“As we phase in our Family based Faith Formation Program, we have instituted obligatory topics for your own edification as you continue in your role as primary teachers of the faith for your children. Some of you have attended none, one or two of these sessions so far. With Lenten programming coming up, our ongoing Protecting God’s Children programming, and many Adult Faith Formation opportunities available, you should have no problem in fulfilling this part of the program.*

Please be aware that if you cannot finish these requirements, and unless you speak with me directly on the matter, your child/ren will not be able to proceed to the next grade level of Faith Formation next year. If you have any concerns over the program at all, please do not hesitate to contact me. I very much want all of us to grow in faith in ways that are enjoyable and meaningful.”

Topics will be updated throughout the year on our website ~ and listed in the Chancellor.

We offer a variety of programs and educational opportunities that count toward your CORE topics, including:

The required **Learning about L.I.F.E. classes** count as a CORE topic:

Jan 30 thru Feb 1- for all 3rd year and those 4th year students who did not attend as 3rd graders last year

Feb 27-29 – for all 5th year and those 6th year students who did not attend as 5th graders last year

Mar 26-28 – for all 7th year and those 8th year students who did not attend as 7th graders last year

Adult Faith Formation Programs/Sessions

Feb 9 thru Mar 22, Thursdays, in the Adult Faith Formation room, 7-9PM

“What does Revelation Reveal: A Bible Study on the Book of Revelation”

Beginning First Sunday in Lent: an online Scripture study/sharing. *Break Open the Word*, from the parish website formation portal, you will be able to access the BOTW page. All you need to do is read & listen to the Sunday readings and homily, read the background for the readings posted on the webpage, then you have the week to answer the few posted discussion questions and feel free to respond to the answers of others. This will be ongoing – you can participate whenever you can. For credit as a topic, a minimum of 4 Sundays’ participation is required – watch the Chancellor for details.

Feb 24, and every Friday during Lent, “Stations of the Cross”, at 7PM

Feb. 29, Wednesday, “Living In Christ Parish Retreat”, 9:30AM – ending with 4:30PM Mass

Watch for the parish book study, “Rediscover Catholicism”, by Matthew Kelly. See notices in the Chancellor: scheduled now for Wednesdays, **Feb 29 thru Mar 28**; Morning sessions from 10-11:30AM; Evening sessions from 7-9PM

Mar 7, Wednesday, “Stations of the Cross” presented by the Youth Group, 6-7:15PM

Mar 13, Tuesday, “7PM Mass and More Series”, with Mr. Jim Kiefer, “The Holiness of God, the Holiness of You!”

Mar 24, Saturday, “Living In Christ Parish Retreat”, 9:30AM – ending with 4:30PM Mass

Apr 5, Holy Thursday Soup Supper and Mass, 5:30-8PM

Apr 10, Tuesday, “7PM Mass and More Series”, with Deacon Paul Lippard, “Mary Magdalen, Saint or Sinner?”