

Our Lady of Victory Parish Youth Faith Formation

August 24, 2025

Dear Parents/ Guardians/Families,

There is a phrase "the only constant is change" is a reality. This phrase is from an ancient Greek philosopher named Heraclitus. And if change is constant, then so is growth! Our parish Faith Formation Program for Youth is changing and growing this year!

Two changes from last year were the move to the Our Lady of Victory Parish Center for Faith Formation on Sunday mornings and using the Pflaum Gospel Weeklies as weekly "texts" for our sessions. This year we are making a few other adjustments that will better serve the families of our parish. Instead of meeting every other week, there will be sessions every Sunday, beginning September 14. We believe that this will bring more consistency as children and families create a rhythm in their weekend schedules. Also, the ending time of our sessions will be at 10:45 am. Finally, all levels of our Faith Formation Program will meet at the same time, including Life Teen.

Faith Formation sessions will begin on Sunday, September 14th, with families gathering at the 8:30 am Mass followed by a social sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and the Ladies Guild of the parish.

The information about our **Youth Faith Formation Program** for this year is made up of **four parts (highlighted below)**, which can be completed online or by paper copy. We ask that you complete all of the forms and review all the information. The packet consists of:

- 1.) A **Registration Form** (PDF fillable) for this year's Faith Formation, all levels: Kindergarten to eighth grade, LifeTeen, and Confirmation Preparation. The link for Faith Direct is also included to allow for payment of your fees at the time of registration either through an ACH withdrawal from a checking or savings account or via a Credit Card. Please complete the form in its entirety, including any changes to addresses, telephone numbers or email addresses.
- 2.) An **Emergency Medical Form** (PDF fillable)

- 3.) The **Faith Formation Schedule 2024-2025** (K to 8 and Lifeteen) (including the dates and times for Sacramental Formation Sessions for children who will be preparing for the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist.
- 4.) More information about the preparation schedule for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be sent out soon.
- 5.) The documents are also available on the Faith Formation page of our parish website, (www.ourladyofvictory.net)
- 6.) A "Parent/Guardian Handbook" will be available on Sunday September 14th.

We appreciate the opportunity to assist you and your family in our Faith Formation Program. We look forward to watching your children grow in their faith, as our parish continues to change and grow as well!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Mike Williamson Pastor Joanne Pasko Parish Catechetical Leader Linda Herold Pastoral Minister Ryan Perkins Lifteen Coordinator