

# Religious Formation Volunteer Opportunities

Our list is getting smaller.  
Thank you to all who have volunteered so far!

## We still need...

### **Children's Liturgy of the Word for the 8:45 AM or 10:30 AM Liturgy**

- ⇒ Attend Sun. 8:45 am or 10:30 am—Be dismissed with the children from Liturgy
- ⇒ Lessons and materials are provided for you
- ⇒ Two 6 week commitments from Sept- June
- ⇒ Middle and High School students can also sign up as a volunteer

### **1-5 Children's Faith Formation Wednesday 6:30 PM Session**

- ⇒ 4-5th grade assistant
- ⇒ Sacramental Catechist assistant—Older Children
- ⇒ Faith Formation Aide

We provide everything you need: training, resources, supplies, and moral support!

### **Catechists...**

- ⇒ Share the faith with children
- ⇒ Prepare weekly lessons, and activities
- ⇒ Co-catechist works with catechist and shares in responsibilities

### **Faith Formation Aides...**

- ⇒ Substitute in a class when a catechist is missing



Please contact the Religious Formation Office to volunteer:

Mary Bergen Bish 757-495-1886 x425 or Kathy Ahearn 757-495-1886 x411

The secret about volunteering in Religious Formation is  
that you are transformed in your faith as well!

## ADULT FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES FALL 2018

**DISCOVERING CHRIST:** Do you realize how much Jesus loves you? That he gave his life to save you? And that he is with you every moment of the day to walk with you?

This **8 week series** is an opportunity to discover or rediscover God's love as shown through His son, Jesus. We gather for a free meal, listen to a dynamic teaching and participate in a small group discussions. This series also includes a life changing retreat. Childcare is provided during the Sunday sessions.

**Sessions begin Sunday, September 16** at 5pm in the ACC. The life transforming retreat is Saturday, October 20.

**Register online** at: <http://www.ascensionvb.org/Discovering-Christ> or Janet Jones: 495-1886 x423  
jonesj@ascensionvb.org

### CHURCH OF SECOND CHANCES: A FAITHFUL EXPLORATION OF INCARCERATION

How do we care for the imprisoned?

By sharing the stories of incarcerated people through inter-views, documentaries, presentations by experts, dialogue, and reflection, Church of Second Chances widens participants' circle of connection. Exploring the lived experience of people behind bars and exposing injustices in the judicial system through the lens of faith, this module inspires a prophetic revision of incarceration that invites restoration, mercy, and reconciliation.

**Sessions begins: Thursday, September 27** at 6pm-8pm in the Conference Room **8 week series**

**To register:** Helen White: 757-270-8074 or [dolfingal8@gmail.com](mailto:dolfingal8@gmail.com)

### UNTOLD BLESSING: THREE PATHS TO HOLINESS BY BISHOP ROBERT BARRON

Our ultimate goal is to be a saint. It is our greatest calling and what is desired for us by our Creator.

In this **6 week series**, Bishop Barron paints a beautiful and mysterious image of what it takes to be a follower of Jesus Christ. He lays out three intriguing paths to holiness.

Two sessions to choose from: begins **Monday, September 10** at 7pm or **Wednesday, September 12** at 10am

Cost: \$15 **To register:** Kathy Ahearn: 495-1886 x411 or [ahearnk@ascensionvb.org](mailto:ahearnk@ascensionvb.org)

### ENCOUNTER GOD'S PRESENCE THROUGH EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

**PARISH MISSION:** When I say stewardship what immediately comes to your mind? Money? Would you be surprised to learn that stewardship is far more than just the money we put in the offering? Would it surprise you that stewardship is based in scripture and is the sign of a mature faith? That stewardship is a way of life for a disciple and we encounter God as we are transformed into His stewards?

Speaker Tracey Welliver will lead our parish deeper into the true meaning of stewardship. He will speak at all the Masses on the weekend of October 13 and 14. and then offer 3 nights of talks.

Evening sessions: Sunday, October 14, Monday, October 15, Tuesday, October 16 at 7pm. **SAVE THE DATES!**