Adult Faith Formation Opportunities

St. Anthony on the Lake Parish 2023-2024

In keeping with our parish's mission to promote lifelong faith formation, we invite all adults to participate in the many opportunities for education and spiritual development presented throughout the program year.

These events are for <u>all</u> adults in the parish – retired folks, Faith Formation and School parents, and young adults.

The US Catholic Bishops have encouraged parishes to offer programming for adults that will:

- 1.) Foster knowledge of the faith
- 2.) Encourage participation in the liturgical life of the Church
- 3.) Develop personal spirituality and prayer practices
- 4.) Understand the moral foundations of the Church
- 5.) Promote a communal mindset and a missionary spirit of service to others

These principles guide our decision-making process when structuring the calendar of events. Many of these events are free, but some do require a nominal fee. However, no one will ever be excluded from participation for financial reasons.

If you have questions about adult faith formation at St. Anthony on the Lake, please contact Al McCauley:

<u>mccauleya@stanthony.cc</u> or consult our parish website: <u>https://www.stanthony.cc/Adult</u>





EMERITUS GROUP

Sunday School for Adults

The Emeritus Group is a twice-monthly gathering of interested adults for fellowship and faith-sharing. We meet when the Family Program sessions are scheduled, from **10:20-10:50 a.m.**, to explore various aspects of our Catholic faith in a small group setting. **(F&G)**

Sundays, Oct. 1, 15; Nov. 5, 19; Dec. 3; Jan. 7, 21; Feb. 4, 18; March 3, 17

SEARCH FORMED

The Search — A video-based small group discussion opportunity designed to enkindle wonder and to explore life's big questions. The Search is open to all who seek to know God on a deeper level, including those who are questioning their faith. (Parish Conference Room)
Thursdays, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26; Nov. 2, 9, 16; 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Lives of the Saints Learn about these real people and be inspired by their faith-filled examples which still resonate in the life of the Church today. Morning (11:00a.m.- 12:00p.m.) or evening (6:00-7:00 p.m.) meeting times are offered. **(FH)**

- St. Ignatius of Loyola: Tuesday, August 22
- Angels (and Demons): Tuesday, September 19
- St. Francis of Assisi: Tuesday, October 4
- Celebrating Saints: Tuesday, October 31
- Our Lady of Guadalupe: Thursday, December 7 (Back by popular demand!)
- St. Patrick: Thursday, March 7
- St. Catherine of Siena: Wednesday, April 24
- Marian Apparitions: Tuesday, May 7



Bible Study: Mark's Gospel is an exploration of the primary Gospel proclaimed in Liturgical Year B, which begins in Advent. We'll meet on consecutive days in one week. (F&G) Mon.-Fri., Nov. 13-17; 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.



Bible Study: Reflections on the Seasonal Scriptures is an opportunity to read and study the Bible through the Lectionary cycle. We'll meet during Advent and Lent. Morning (11:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.) or evening (6:00-7:00 p.m.) meeting times are offered. (F&G)

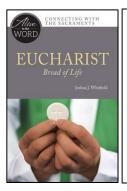
<u>ADVENT</u>: Tuesdays, Nov. 28; Dec. 5, 12, 16 LENT: Tuesdays, Feb. 13, 20, 27; Mar. 5, 12, 19



JULIAN OF NORWICH
Revelations of Divine Love

Revelations of Divine Love Book Study is an in-depth examination of one of the most beloved spiritual works in Christian history. Participants will read the account of St. Julian of Norwich's mystical revelations and be inspired to a deepened spirituality. (F&G)

Tuesdays, Jan. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2024; 10:00-11:15 a.m.



Eucharist: Bread of Life In this year of Eucharistic Revival, we will investigate the enduring mystery of the Eucharist — from its Scriptural roots to the deep meaning it holds in our hearts through this four-week course. Morning (11:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.) or evening (6:00-7:00 p.m.) meeting times are offered. (F&G) Tuesdays, April 9, 16, 23, 30, 2024

Interested in Joining the Catholic Church?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a journey of deepening one's spiritual life for those seeking to become Catholic. The RCIA process is designed for adults who are *unbaptized* or those who were baptized as infants but had little experience with regular church attendance or catechesis. It's also for those *baptized in another Christian tradition* who would like to become Catholic. Anyone interested in exploring the possibility of joining the Roman Catholic community here at St. Anthony on the Lake is invited to contact Al McCauley, at 262-691-9170 x1142 or mccauleya@stanthony.cc.

