

# Faith Formation Update

## August 2018

### *Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ*



Hello St. John's,

This upcoming faith formation year promises to be one of great joy. We feel blessed to accompany your family in forming your child's faith. Our Catechetical Theme for the year is *Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ*. This year we are excited to host several family faith gatherings. These are open to the entire parish so we can be a witness for Christ as a community.

Together, as a family, we will **Praise**—yes this means MUSIC, **Serve**—yes this means a hands-on mercy experience, and **Pray**—yes this means deepening our relationship with Christ. We recognize that parents are the first teachers of their child's faith. Family Faith Nights will support you and your family as you nurture an intimate relationship with Jesus. Family Faith Nights will be held on Wednesdays when the children do not meet with their catechists.

Parents, I look forward to seeing you at the parent meeting on the first night of faith formation. We have so much good news to share.

Blessings,

Kelly Howard

Faith Formation Director

### *Upcoming Events for K-8*

**Aug 29**– Catechist and Volunteer Meeting  
7:00 pm

**Sept 5**–Catechist Planning Night

**Sept 12**– **K-8 First Class, Parent information meeting and Ice Cream Social**

Early Session 5:00-6:00

Late Session 6:30-7:30

**Sept 16**– Catechetical  
Sunday

**Sept 19**–K-8 Class

**Sept 26**–K-8 Class, Second Grade Parent Meeting during class time

**Oct 3**–K-8 Class

**Oct 10**–K-8 Class

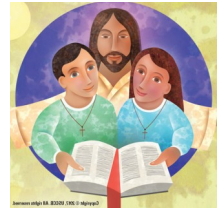
**Oct 17**–Family Faith Night 6:30-7:30  
No Class, Catechist Planning Time

**Oct 24**–K-8 Class

**Oct 31**–No Class, Halloween

**Nov 7**–K-8 Class

Early Session: 5:00-6:00, Late Session: 6:30-7:30



**The Ministry Fair is returning to St. John's!** We have over 30 different Ministries at St. John's. Share **fellowship** with us and find out who is doing what in our parish. **Come** visit all the ministry tables and **See** how you can share our **parish mission**. Check out the different ministries during the first night of faith formation, or after the weekend Masses. Tables will be set up September 12th, 15th and 16th. Hope to see you at the fair!!!

**Wednesday Night Faith Formation-CATECHIST NEEDED!** Pope Saint John Paul II said "the goal of catechesis is to put people in touch, in communion, indeed in intimacy with Jesus Christ."

We need first and third grade catechists for our early session. Our Late session still needs help in third, fifth, and sixth grade. If you feel called to share Christ with our young people, contact Kelly Howard at 993-4590 or saintjc3re@gmail.com.



**Mandatory Sacramental Preparation Meeting** Wednesday September 26th during your child's class time. This meeting is for parents of children receiving the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. We will share information about the Sacraments, catechesis, formation, and important calendar dates. Your child will be joining us for the second half of the meeting, so attendance from at least one parent is required. **Mark your calendar today.**



If you *did not* receive an e-mail this week confirming your child's registration, contact Kelly ASAP at saintjc3re@gmail.com. Still need to register? Forms can be found on the youth faith formation page of our Parish Website. [www.stjohnsadel.org](http://www.stjohnsadel.org)