



# St. Joseph 2021-2022 Children's Faith Formation (CFF)

Hear and explore Jesus' message  
through the Sunday gospels:  
[Pflaum Gospel Weeklies \(GW\)](#)

Sessions begin September 15!  
Questions? [faithformation@stjoseph-libertyville.org](mailto:faithformation@stjoseph-libertyville.org)

## Children's Sessions PreK - Grade 6



*Sunday 9:00 - 10:15 AM or  
Tuesday 4:30 - 5:45 PM*

Sessions meet 2-3 times a month in person at St. Joseph School classrooms. Group size is ideally limited to 15 with at least one catechist and teen aide per group.

## Peer Group Sessions Grades 7-8



*Sunday 9:00 - 10:30 AM or  
Sunday 7:00-8:30PM or  
Tuesday 7:00-8:30 PM*

Sessions meet 2-3 times a month in person, in catechists' homes or at St. Joseph meeting spaces. Two adult catechists lead and teach together each group of 10-15 young people. These groups generally stay together over the two years engaging in small-group faith sharing, service opportunities, participation in the Mass and growing a more mature faith life. All grades 7 and 8 groups will also attend 4 Youth Ministry nights together each year. All of this encourages young people to grow beyond classroom learning to live out their faith with peers in their community. Check out [Teen Service Blitz!](#)

## Sacramental Preparation

CFF follows Archdiocesan guidelines for a two-year process. Children enrolled in our Faith Building sessions for Grades 1 and 2 prepare for Reconciliation and First Communion and Grades 7 and 8 prepare for Confirmation.

Special Circumstances are best served by making an appointment with a staff member to discuss the best fit: [faithformation@stjoseph-libertyville.org](mailto:faithformation@stjoseph-libertyville.org)

**Additional Sacrament Preparation Sessions** offered as needed include:

- Baptism- age 3 and older
- First Communion – age 8 and older
- Confirmation - high school teens

Parents of children under age 3 who seek baptism for their child should register to participate in Infant Baptism classes. Class registration is through the parish office at 847-362-2073.

**Rite of Christian Initiation adapted for Children** is a process which welcomes non-baptized children or children baptized in a church other than Catholic age 8 and older into the Catholic Church and prepare them to receive the Sacraments of Initiation.

**Special Religious Education Development (SPRED)** welcomes friends from age 6 through adulthood with developmental and intellectual challenges and other special needs into full participation in our faith community. Contact: John Brodarick, SPRED Ministry, [brodarick727@comcast.net](mailto:brodarick727@comcast.net)



**Families** are expected to regularly attend Mass at their choice of weekend day, time and format. Students will receive a *Gospel Weekly* lesson to discuss at home and submit Mass reflections and/or lesson assignments.

### Weekend Mass schedule

*Saturday 5:00 PM – In Church or Livestream  
Sunday 7:15 AM – Drive-In  
Sunday 9:00 AM - In Church or Livestream  
Sunday 10:45 AM – In Church or Drive-In  
Sunday 5:00 PM In Church or sometimes Livestream*