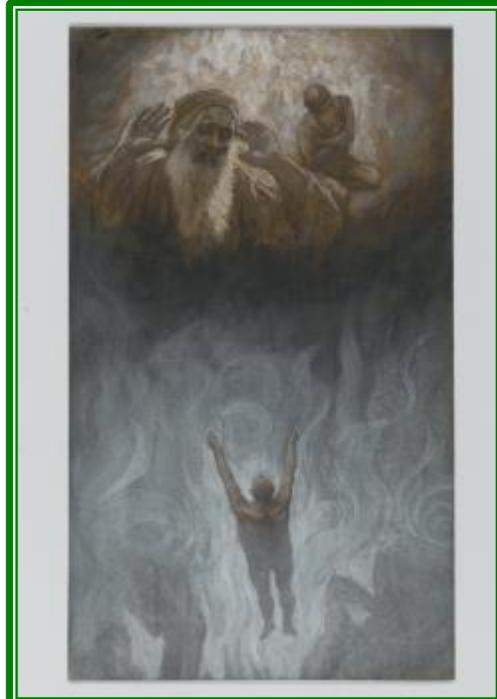


Saint Bernadette Parish Saint Mary Parish

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THE RICH MAN PLEADS WITH ABRAHAM

This is the scene of the concluding part of the parable in today's Gospel reading. The painter, James Jacques Tissot, had experienced a reconversion (a reversion) to the Catholic Faith when he was nearly fifty. He traveled extensively in the Holy Land to get an idea of how things would actually have looked so that he could connect us with the stories of or about Jesus.

But he surprises us in his painting of this story from Luke's gospel (the reading for this Sunday) for, unlike more realistic depictions of the poor man Lazarus lying in neglected need at the doorstep of the rich man (called "Dives"), Tissot gives us a moving impression of the conversation between Abraham in heaven and Dives in hell.

from an extensive portfolio of water colors (1884-1896) depicting the life of Christ,
painted by James Tissot (1836-1902)
the Brooklyn Museum

THE 26th SUNDAY IN THE YEAR

SEPTEMBER 25, 2016

Parishes

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Hours are 9-11 AM, Tu	602 Marietta St, Bremen, OH 43107	(740) 569-7929	

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Sacramental Life

BAPTISM

To have a child baptized, you must register and attend a class as a couple (unless attendance just isn't possible, in which case some discussion with Kathy Kehnast will be necessary). Sessions are held quarterly for both parishes. The next session will be Wednesday, **Oct 19. Take the class before the child is born.** If you are expecting, call Kathy to register for the class.

Please don't ask if you "have to go." This is an opportunity to meet with parents of children about the same age as your little one; they are in the same wonderful boat as you are.

At least one parent must be a practicing Catholic. **Both godparents need to be practicing Christians, at least one a practicing Catholic.** If you don't attend **Sunday Mass regularly**, there is something you can do about it: Start coming to Sunday Mass. If you can't come (health, severe weather, employment requirements, etc.), speak to your confessor. He will help you.

PENANCE

The priest is available for Penance

1. at St Bernadette Saturdays at 3 PM and Thursdays at 5:30 PM, and
2. at St Mary Bremen on Sunday at 8 AM.

In addition to Advent and Lenten Penance Services, every Catholic priest is available whenever there is a need. There are Penance opportunities for parochial school children **four times during the year so that they will learn the beauty**

of frequent confession. The Church's law requires us to receive the sacrament of Penance at least once a year.

ANOINTING AND CARE OF THE SICK

The Sick receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick **when dangerously ill, facing major surgery, or suffering from the ravages of old age.**

We celebrate the sacrament communally at a Sunday Mass before Advent and during the Easter season so that we can all pray with you for "health of mind and body."

And, we are happy to bring Penance, Anointing, and Holy Communion to the homes or hospitals of the sick or shut in. It is very helpful to **call the parish office to let us know before a hospitalization or when it has been too long** since the sacraments were last available.

HOLY MATRIMONY

Couples wishing to marry sacramentally should contact the parish office six months before they wish to celebrate the sacrament. Why so long? Because **this sacrament, not just the ceremony, requires serious preparation.** And the Church needs to be involved in that preparation. She tries to support couples through the years of their married life. For this reason our diocese offers programs to enhance married life. To learn how, watch the weekly bulletin.

let us pray together

FOR THE 26th SUNDAY

O God, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

WITH POPE FRANCIS IN SEPTEMBER

His universal intention is:

That each may contribute to the common good and to the building of a society that places the human person at the center.

His evangelization intention is:

That by participating in the Sacraments and meditating on Scripture, Christians may become more aware of their mission to evangelize.

AND IN OCTOBER

His universal intention is:

That the countries which take in a great number of displaced persons and refugees may find support for their efforts which show solidarity.

His evangelization intention is:

That within parishes, priests and lay people may collaborate in service to the community without giving in to the temptation of discouragement.

Mass times and intentions			
at St Bernadette		at St Mary	
4 PM	<i>for the people</i>	Saturday, Sept 24	
		Sunday, Sept 25	8:30 AM <i>for the people</i>
11 AM	<i>for the people</i>	Sunday, Sept 25	
8:20 AM	<i>Pete Konkler</i>	Monday, Sept 26	
		Tuesday, Sept 27	8:20 AM <i>David Stretton</i>
8:20 AM	<i>Tommy Hartung</i>	Wednesday, Sept 28	
6 PM	<i>Wilford & Loretta Beiter</i>	Thursday, Sept 29	
8:20 AM	<i>Juanita Keyes</i>	Friday, Sept 30	
9 AM	<i>Hugh Patrick Messerly</i>	Saturday, Oct 1	
4 PM	<i>Lawrence & Gertrude Berens</i>	Saturday, Oct 1	
		Sunday, Oct 2	8:30 AM <i>for the people</i>
11 AM	<i>for the people</i>	Sunday, Oct 2	

both parishes

name, rank and serial number !

We have discovered two new ways our two parishes are just alike? As of last Monday, each parish office had received returns of **30.8% of our census refresher forms**, which were mailed to all registered parishioner households a few weeks ago. That's 42 of the 136 households in St Mary Parish and 139 of the 451 households in St Bernadette Parish.

Thank you to all of those who have cooperated in completing and returning these forms. Your help is ... a big help. But we still need to hear from the remaining 409 households if we are to have a good handle on who our parishioners are, where they live, and how they can be contacted. That information is not a bureaucratic luxury for a parish. It is something **necessary** for a community of families **to thrive as a parish**.

The original idea when the diocesan census was established a couple of generations ago (!) was a one-time-only head count. It worked. Only **the head count needs to be renewed** because the parish doesn't always get the information about changes or the data doesn't get entered. It just happens in any organization.

If your family's form hasn't gotten around to sending itself in, please send it or deliver it to the office. If it never arrived or has gotten lost, never fear, for we will provide a time and a new copy of the form (with **accompanying sweets and a very legal beverage**) directly after Mass at St Bernadette next Sunday. And we will find a way to get such forms to people at St Mary a.s.a.p. We really need your cooperation. And we are grateful for it.

youth ministry

This is a message for all our high school youth and their families. Are you ready for faith and fellowship? Come join YDisciple at the **Ice Cream Social kickoff today**, Sunday, Sept 25, from 6:30-8 PM. Learn about **this year in youth ministry**,

play some field games and meet some friends, all while enjoying a sweet treat! Meet at the outdoor field at St Bernadette Parish.

But don't think of this as a St Bernadette event; it is **for the youth of both our parishes**. In fact, YDisciple and Fisher Catholic High School are the programming our parishes provide for all the youth of both the parishes. And we think they have something great to offer our kids. **It's about getting to know Jesus and his Church**. You'll love him! And them.

For information contact Julie & Chase at (740) 808-7294 or Milea at (740) 689-3288.

emergency flood collection

Thank you for your participation last Sunday in the US bishops' national emergency collection **to assist the victims of the 2016 Louisiana Floods**. Your donations will support the humanitarian efforts of Catholic Charities USA and provide pastoral and rebuilding support to affected local churches. St Bernadette contributed \$1,323 and St Mary contributed \$227.

get ready for Mass

If it is something special, we get ready for it. That goes for Sunday Mass. The most important way to get ready is to be in—or get into—the **state of grace** so that we can receive Holy Communion worthily. Then we need to **fast** (a tough word for a very easy task) for at least an hour before we receive Communion. And we could try to prime the pump, as it were, for hearing the Word of God as it will be read that day by **reading and pondering that little portion of the Word** of God.

These are matters of spiritual readiness. But to go to Mass is to approach the great sacramental mysteries, **approaching physically as well as spiritually**. Old-fashioned rural Protestants were on to something when they spoke of wearing their "**Sunday-go-to-meetin' clothes**." We could all **dress up** a little bit, not to show off our fancy wardrobe but to "do something beautiful for God."

And think of what we say to our kids before a trip or before a film or a concert or a ride on the ferris wheel: We tell them to **go to the bathroom ahead of time**. Emergencies can happen to

just about everybody. And each of us, young or old, has the health she / he has been blessed with. But with a little extra precaution we could be (and help others to be) even more single-minded about worship and to avoid the procession to and from the side door. Thanks for thinking about all these things.

pray in church

Socialize outside. Our church is always a place of prayer. Even when Mass is over and we are exiting. Keep it a place of silence. Visit aloud after you have gotten outside. That way, you will be respecting the awesome and continuing presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, reserved in the tabernacle. And you will be respecting the people who are trying to make a prayer of thanksgiving. It matters. If that respect disappears, Catholic Faith will be lost.

st bernadette

jillian's dinner

On Saturday, Oct 22, St Bernadette Parish will host the 16th annual *Jillian's Dinner*. This dinner raises money **to assist a family from our area who are suffering** catastrophic illness, the loss of a loved one, or some such **major adversity**. To recommend someone who might benefit from Jillian's Dinner, contact Kathy Wagner at (740) 687-0504. Nominations will be considered by a lay committee and are kept confidential. A raffle is held during the dinner to generate more funds to help the family. If you have items to donate, you may bring them to the St Bernadette parish office by Oct 10.

welcome to st bernadette catholic school

Our goal at St. Bernadette School is to nurture and encourage, in each child, academic, spiritual, emotional, and physical development; to guide them in their choices and appreciation of the cultural arts. Our students are active participants in their education.

from the school website

psr classes at st bernadette

St Bernadette PSR has begun but it is not too late to enroll students. Just a reminder: Catholic parents have a **solemn moral duty** to see that their children are properly and completely instructed in the Catholic Faith. And they have a duty to see that their children attend every week (barring health or weather deterrents). And children will find **getting to know Jesus and his Church to be an irreplaceable and joy-filled part of their upbringing**.

sing a new song unto the Lord !

St Michael Hymnal, fourth edition, has arrived at St Bernadette. It will be making its debut next Sunday.

The cost of this new resource has been borne by generous parishioners who wish to remain anonymous. So you can't say "thank you" personally, but you can indeed **pray for them** and their intentions.

news from the lazarus committee

The Lazarus Committee thanks all the ladies who have prepared and delivered food for our funeral luncheons over the years. But men who can cook or bake are invited to participate. More people than you realize appreciate this help and generosity. Think how many of the corporal and spiritual works of mercy are included in this service.

the **spiritual works of mercy**,

- counsel the doubtful
- admonish sinners
- forgive offences
- instruct the ignorant
- comfort the afflicted
- bear patiently those who do us ill
- pray for the living and the dead,

and the **corporal works of mercy**,

- feed the hungry
- clothe the naked
- heal the sick
- give drink to the thirsty
- welcome the stranger
- visit the imprisoned
- bury the dead.

Someone suggested that six of them are acted on! Can you name them? If you have not been a part of this ministry and would like to have your name added to the calling list, call the office at (740) 654-1893 for details. Thank you.

parish contributions

The **St Bernadette offertory collection** for Sept 18 came to \$5,811.

bremen st mary

prayer request

Ann VanAtta is very ill and your prayers for her are appreciated.

You could also send a card to:

Ann VanAtta c/o Lori Bradley,
10651 Martinsburg Rd,
Utica, Ohio 43080

saint mary homecoming ox roast

The parishioners of St Mary in Bremen welcome all members, past, present, and future, as well as members of other parishes and congregations who like to be with us for worship occasionally, to our **Homecoming Ox Roast**. Please join us today, Sunday, Sept 25, at Schmelzer's Grove for a day of good food and great family fun, starting at 1 PM with our annual Ox Roast followed by an afternoon filled with music, dancing, hay and pony rides, games and much more. Admission cost? Bring a delicious dessert or a nice smile.

parish contributions

The **St Mary offertory collection** for Sept 18 came to \$1,358.

st vincent de paul

The next St Vincent de Paul Society will take up a collection next Sunday, the first Sunday of the month. Please be generous.

ladies' brunch

The ladies of Bremen Calvary Church invite **the ladies of Bremen St Mary Church to a brunch** on Saturday, Oct 1, at 10 AM. If you can attend, RSVP to Irene Kunkler at (740) 475-7736 by Tuesday, Sept 27.

in the diocese of columbus

family rosary day

Our Diocesan Family Rosary Day will be celebrated this year at 3 PM on Sunday, Oct 9, at St Joseph Cathedral. This liturgy, presided over by Bishop Frederick Campbell, is an opportunity to **enjoy community, worship God, and ask our Blessed Mother's intercession** for the needs of God's people. All are welcome.

catholic men's luncheon club

The next Catholic Men's Luncheon Club features Bishop Campbell's annual address on Friday, Oct 7, at St Patrick Church in downtown Columbus. Mass at 11:45 AM will be followed by lunch and **Bishop Campbell's talk** until 1 PM. No reservations necessary, \$10 covers the lunch and meeting. Bring a friend. For information, visit www.ColumbusCatholicMen.com or contact Tim Merkle, CMLC President at htm@ejhlaw.com.

blue jacket family night

Enjoy great hockey action at the **Catholic Family Night with the Columbus Blue Jackets** on Sunday, Oct 2. Watch the Blue Jackets take on the Pittsburgh Penguins at Nationwide Arena; puck drop is at 4 PM, doors open at 3 PM. Game tickets are \$15, seating is limited. To order tickets, visit www.groupmatics.com/events/catholicfamilies; contact Matt Menard at (614) 246-3972 or mmenard@BlueJackets.com for information.

breakfast with the bishop

Catholic Social Services hosts **Breakfast with the Bishop** on Tuesday, Oct 4, at 7:30 AM at the Renaissance Columbus Downtown Hotel. Speaker is Robert Lupton, author of *Toxic Charity*. To register call (614) 221-5891 or visit www.colscss.org.

the beauty of the feminine

The 5th annual **Beauty of the Feminine Catholic Women's Conference** will happen on Saturday, Oct 8, from 8 AM to 3 PM at St Thomas Aquinas Parish in Zanesville. It is a day of fellowship, prayer and faith formation. This year's theme is "**Witness to Mercy.**" To register call St Thomas at (740) 453-3309 or email thebeautyofthefeminine@gmail.com. If you register by Sept 30, your \$20 include breakfast and lunch. Registration on the day of the event is \$25. Contact Susan with questions or visit www.thebeautyofthefeminine.weebly.com and Facebook @ TheBeautyOfTheFeminine for information.

Sacred Heart congress

The 5th annual Sacred Heart Congress will be Saturday, Oct 15, at St Matthew Church in Columbus from 7 AM to 1 PM. It features Timothy O'Donnell, president of Christendom College; Fr Stash Dailey, spiritual director of Sacred Heart Columbus and administrator of Holy Family Parish; and Fr Ted Sill, pastor of St Matthew. A free-will offering will be taken. For information and registration visit www.sacredheartcolumbus.org.

retrouvaille

If your marriage is troubled and stressed, unloving or uncaring; if you have grown cold and distant; if you are separated, or are thinking about it, don't give up. **Retrouvaille** (a French word that means "rediscovery") is a **program to help heal and support** married couples experiencing difficulties, loneliness or pain. It is also for separated or divorced couples wanting to try again. For information call (614) 296-9704 or visit www.retrouvaille.org.

help needed

The Sisters of Children of Mary just excavated 4 acres of land and they need help **clearing trees and building permanent pastures** for their cows at their convent in **Newark**. Any day is fine. Call (740) 323-1977. Find information at www.childrenofmary.net.

happily ever after ... despite the rough spots

Join us for a Marriage Encounter weekend and learn ways to use your marriage's ups and downs to deepen your love for each other and for God. Why not **try a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend**? The next weekends in central Ohio are Nov 11-13 and Feb 17-19. For information or to register, contact Paul or Marilou Clouse at (614) 834-6880 or visit www.wmccolumbus.org.

from the chair

Bishop Campbell takes your questions from 5-6 PM on Tuesday, Oct 4, during his live monthly call-in show. Call St. Gabriel Catholic Radio AM 820 at (614) 459-4820 to ask your question about the Catholic faith and growing in holiness.

bishop campbell audio files

You can now find talks from Bishop Campbell through the St Gabriel Catholic Radio AM 820 audio archive online at www.StGabrielRadio.com. You might think of it as his "**best of**" material. The Bishop's audio archives could help you get yourself better informed about our holy Faith. The archives are free to use, available 24/7, and searchable by topic and date.

in the deanery

PDHC annual banquet

The Pregnancy Decision Health Center 35th anniversary fundraising banquet happens at Little Brook Meadows on Wednesday, Sept 28. It not too late to register, but space is filling up quickly. The dinner event at 7 PM (doors open at 6:30) is almost full, but because of the overwhelming response last year, there will also be a **luncheon this year** at noon (doors open at 11:30). Guest speaker is Abby Johnson. Register at www.supportpdhc.org/banquets or call Kathy Scanlon at (614) 888-8774, x 6117 to reserve your seat today.

being a catholic citizen

register so that you can vote

We need to vote. Just skipping it isn't being a faithful citizen. Excuses you will hear might include:

- "I don't like either candidate in a particular contest."
 - Vote for the candidate who seems to you to be the most respectful (or least disrespectful!) of the human right to life and religious freedom. And don't forget the other contests on the ballot, the "down-ticket" candidates for congress, senate, local elections?
 - Do your homework!
- "I know how it is going to turn out from hearing the polls."
 - Polls predict; votes determine. Don't abdicate your vote.
- "The process is corrupt."
 - Your vote will still be counted. The way to insure that corruption increases, maybe even destroy a republic, is to wash your hands of it and complain—without voting
- "The big shots make the decisions for us."
 - Don't vote and they will have an easier time of it.
- "I forgot to register."
 - So do it now.

registration information

There is a process for voting absentee for people who are shut in (or are likely to be shut in or travelling on election day). So you

can vote without ever leaving your home. It has become possible to vote at the Board of Elections prior to election day. Early voting is better than not voting.

Registration must be done by Oct 11. Election Day is Tuesday, Nov 8. You can go either in person at the Fairfield County Board of Elections, 951 Liberty Drive in Lancaster (off West Fair Ave) or to <http://www.fairfieldelections.com> or www.myohtovote.com.

on the web

the word on fire

Remember *Catholicism*? That was the TV series written and hosted on PBS and EWTN TV a few years back by **Father Robert Barron** a very smart and very engaging priest from Chicago. Recordings were presented and discussed in lots of parishes, including St Bernadette. If you liked *Catholicism*, you will probably like now-Bishop Barron's (auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles for about a year now) **Sunday homily podcast**. It is a really good weekly source of reflection on the Scripture readings of the week. It takes fifteen minutes each week, and is easily listened to during one trip between Bremen and Lancaster. Podcasts are great that way. By following Bp Barron you can do something about the quality of the

sermons you hear on Sunday. (When polled some Catholics complain about that. Imagine!) You won't be able to say that you aren't being nourished by the Word of God. The bishop's production organization is called **Word on Fire**. That says it pretty well. Subscribe. You will be grateful for this recommendation.

EWTN has its own app

It is called, not surprisingly, EWTN.

saint bernadette parish has a website !

The address is stbernadetteparish.net. And it hosts the **bulletin and information about St Mary Bremen as well as St Bernadette**. Maybe we should have called it by both parish names. But that would have made it more difficult to google. The important thing is that it has information and bulletins, etc, for parishioners of both parishes. And for people who want to keep in touch with our parishes.

and so does the vatican

The **real thing is at Vatican.va**. One very helpful place to turn to find out what the Church really teaches is the **Catechism (book length) page** at http://www.vatican.va/archive/eng0015/_index.htm.

ministers at Mass at st bernadette

	lector	servers	extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion		
Saturday, Sept 24 4 pm	Marguerite Grimm	Gus & Olivia Spiegel, Cady Tipple	Joyce Guenther Lee Guinan	Sandy Landefeld Denise McGuire	Brad Rider Craig Shaw
Sunday, Sept 25 11 am	John Hartig	Anna Hartig, Ashlyn & Brennan Quaintance	James Merk Rita Merk	Anna Sevegny David Shonk	Becky Wickham Amy Woo
Monday, Sept 26 8:20 am	Mary Jane Vajen	Mitchell Ortiz, Sarah Woo	Pat Dreyer	Kathy Kehnast	
Wednesday Sept 28 8:20 am	Bob Christy	Brianna Hilyard, Lexi Utz	Mary Guinan	Mary Jane Vajen	
Thursday, Sept 29 6 pm	Kathy Kehnast	Becca Fuller, Joey Mannella	Lee Guinan	Paul Lonergan	
Friday, Sept 30 8:20 am	Jim Merk	Jack Gentile, Gunner Robertson	Jim & Rita Merk		
Saturday, Oct 1 9 am	Kara Tencza	Jack Tencza	Jim & Rita Merk		
Saturday, Oct 2 4 pm	Becky Kuhn	Eve Darfus, Isabelle Gentile, Addy Myers	Susan Garrett Patrick Gins	Jim Kuhn Mickey Steyaert	Shelia Taylor Kathy Wagner
Sunday, Oct 2 11 am	Jim Merk	Avee & Drew Solt, Daniel Turner	Tara Craaybeek Bob Christy	Angie Christy Ben Peters	Jean Robertson Mary Jane Vajen

ministers at mass at bremen st mary

	lector	servers	extraordinary ministers of Communion	gifts	sacristan / usher
Sunday, Sept 25 8:30 am	Paul Kunkler	Caelie Bell, Abby Skinner	Irene Kunkler, Pam Redding, Angi Skinner	Paul Kunkler family	Damian Schmelzer
Sunday, Oct 2 8:30 am	Linda Qualls	Abaigeal Bell, Brooke Holt	Neil Boch, Joe & Cathy Young	James Noll Jr family	Joe Young

confessions & weekday Mass nearby

These times sometimes change, though, so call ahead

parish	confessions	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Bremen St Mary	8 AM Sunday		8:20 AM				
Lancaster St Bernadette	5:30 PM Thursday, 3 PM Saturday; 8:30 AM on 1 st Sat	8:20 AM		8:20 AM	6 PM	8:20 AM	1 st Sat @ 9 AM
Lancaster St Mary	4 PM Saturday	7 AM	9 AM	7 AM	9 AM		
Lancaster St Mark	5:30 PM Saturday	8 AM	8 AM	6 PM	8 AM	8 AM	
Sugar Grove St Joseph	½ hour before Mass	8 AM	NOON	8 AM	NOON	8 AM	
Circleville St Joseph	4 PM Saturday	9 AM	7 PM	9 AM		9 AM	10 AM
Logan St John	4 PM Saturday	8 AM	8 AM	9 AM		8 AM	9 AM

YDisciple:

Bringing Young People to Jesus and his Church

What is YDisciple?

YDisciple is a parent-driven youth ministry platform built around forming small groups where High School students can learn and share their faith, while building lasting friendships with other young Catholics and with devoted Catholic adult mentors.

There are three main parts to each YDisciple session:

1. **Connect:** Build community with conversation and activities
2. **Discuss:** Engage in critical thinking and discussion around the topic of study.
3. **Commit:** Summarize, pray together, and encourage accountability.

Why is it important to have a parent driven model and what does YDisciple ask from parents?

“Parents have the responsibility and privilege of evangelizing their children.” —CCC 2225

“No plan for organized pastoral work, at any level, must ever fail to take into consideration the pastoral care of the family.” —*Familiaris Consortio* 70

Any youth ministry initiative should begin with parents. Parents have the greatest influence in the lives of their teenagers, and they will be held accountable to God for the formation of their children. The role of the parish is to assist parents in fulfilling this responsibility. For this reason, the Church teaches that all pastoral work must take into consideration the pastoral care of the family.

To get the maximum benefit from YDisciple, parents should commit to ...

1. Help to form your son/daughter’s small group,
2. Periodically host your son/daughter’s YDisciple group in your home,
3. Use the parent sheet that corresponds with each session to talk with your teen about the topic of discussion each week in an effort to make living the faith a bigger part of your child’s life.

Parents are not asked to lead these groups, but to support them by opening their homes to provide a familiar and comfortable setting conducive to learning the faith. Adult mentors will facilitate each YDisciple session.

What is Discipleship?

Jesus’ invitation to be His disciple is to “lose one’s life” and to “deny oneself” that results in “abundant life.” In other words, discipleship is the process of dying to self and becoming more like Jesus Christ. It is a heroic call—and very countercultural.

Why put teenagers in small groups?

Small group discipleship is not a program—it is an apprenticeship in the Christian life. Therefore, the aim is to create the best environment for apprenticeship to take place. This is the model that Jesus used with his apostles and it has a number of benefits including ...

1. Connecting teens with caring, faith-filled adults who can apprentice them in the disciplines of a disciple.
2. Draw teens out of a peer-dominated paradigm and call them to maturity through relationships with adults.
3. Strengthens catechesis through testimony, discussion, and faith sharing.
4. Allows parents to demonstrate their support by hosting the small group in their homes.
5. Small groups are either all male or all female in order to help facilitate discussion.
6. The majority of teenagers stop practicing their faith in their first year of college as the social activity and prevalent worldview that surrounds them comes in direct contradiction to the faith in which they were raised. Small group discipleship prepares them for this reality, as they will have developed spiritual disciplines to stay close to Jesus in His Church.

When will YDisciple sessions take place?

For information or to make sure that your child is involved please call Chase (740) 808-7294 or Julie Stalford (210) 781-0254 or email cstalford@gmail.com.

—Chase and Julie Stalford

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