

MIDDLE SCHOOL 2021-2022 FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM - SUNDAY
Holy Trinity Parish
227 Sea Street
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GOAL OF THE MIDDLE SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

To recognize each child as a gift from God and to let her or him grow in the Catholic faith through an awareness of God's presence in their lives as important members of the Holy Trinity Parish community. To achieve this goal, our faith formation classes include catechesis using Pflaum Gospel Weeklies with small group discussions on how the Gospel is applicable to life in the contemporary age through a sharing of personal stories and experiences. The curriculum includes studying the saints as role models for our youth, time for prayer, religious practice, and learning activities to grow in faith, knowledge, and fellowship.

LEARNING MODEL FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAM

Holy Trinity Parish will adopt an in-person classroom model of learning for Middle School Grades 6 to 8 during the 2021-2022 school year. Classes meet onsite two Sundays a month according to the schedule below.

SCHEDULE

Class Meeting Day and Time: **Sundays 9:15 – 10:15 AM (2 times a month)**

Class Location: Our Lady of Good Counsel Hall

Catechist: Roseann Pope, Caryn Belisle

Substitute Catechists: Charles Kelly, Gia Bengoa, José Luis Bengoa

All Sundays are obligatory for the faithful to participate in the Mass. Regularly attending Sunday Mass and receiving the Eucharist is an important part of faith formation and the practice of the faith. The weekend schedule of Masses at Holy Trinity Parish is as follows:

Most Blessed Sacrament Church: Saturday 4:30 PM and Sunday 8:30 AM

Our Lady of Good Counsel Church: Saturday 6:00 PM and Sunday 10:30 AM

All Masses are live streamed and recordings stored at the HTP Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/holytrinityquincy/>

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

November 1, 2021 (All Saints' Day)

December 8, 2021 (Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

December 25, 2021 (Christmas)

January 1, 2022 (Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)

May 26, 2022 (Ascension of Jesus)

August 15, 2022 (Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

COVID-19 HEALTH SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Following state, local, and archdiocesan guidelines, Holy Trinity Parish will observe the following health and safety precautions for onsite classes:

- All students and teachers are required to wear a mask covering their nose and mouth when onsite
- Social distanced seating of at least 3 feet during class

- Hand sanitizers available for use as needed
- No food consumption on church premises
- Bathrooms cleaned and disinfected prior to each class meeting
- If sick, stay home. Notify htpreled@gmail.com

SYLLABUS

The *Visions* curriculum uses the *Pflaum Gospel Weeklies*.

General Class Format

1. Proclamation of the Gospel for Sunday with group discussion
2. Connecting the Gospel to Catholic doctrine, the Catechism, and Catholic Social Teaching
3. Application of the Gospel to contemporary life
4. Activity

No.	Class Date	Gospel Theme
	September 27, 2021	Start of Year Virtual Parent Meeting 7:20 – 8:00 PM
1	October 3, 2021	PGW: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 10:2-16 Jesus Welcomes Children
2	October 24, 2021	PGW: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 10:46-52 Jesus Heals the Blind Man
3	November 7, 2021	PGW: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 12:38-44 The Poor Widow's Gift
4	November 21, 2021	PGW: Christ the King John 18:33b-37 Jesus is Our Leader and King
5	December 5, 2021	PGW: 2nd Sunday of Advent Luke 3:1-6 Prepare the Way of the Lord
6	December 19, 2021	PGW: 4th Sunday of Advent Luke 1:39-45 Mary Visits Elizabeth
7	January 9, 2022	PGW: Baptism of the Lord Luke 3:15-16, 21-22 John Baptizes Jesus
8	January 23, 2022	PGW: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21 Jesus in God's Anointed One
9	February 6, 2022	PGW: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 5:1-11 Jesus Calls Disciples
10	February 27, 2022	PGW: 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 6:39-45 A Tree is Known by Its Fruit
11	March 6, 2022*	PGW: 1st Sunday of Lent Luke 4:1-13 Jesus Resists Temptation
12	March 20, 2022	PGW: 3rd Sunday of Lent Luke 13:1-9 Parable of a Fig Tree
13	April 10, 2022	PGW: Palm/Passion Sunday Luke 22:14—23:56 Jesus Dies to Save Us
14	April 24, 2022	PGW: 2nd Sunday of Easter John 20:1-9 and John 20:19-31 Jesus is Risen
15	May 1, 2022*	PGW: 3rd Sunday of Easter John 21:1—14 Jesus Appears to His Friends
16	May 15, 2022	PGW: 5th Sunday of Easter John 10:27-30 Jesus is Our Good Shepherd (May 8 Gospel)

*Back-to-back Sundays on the schedule

RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES

FORMED (Augustine Institute)

Families are looking to their faith to guide them through these uncertain times. The Augustine Institute offers the domestic church (the family) excellent content about the Catholic faith ranging from its praxis to instructional material for faith formation at the parochial level. Here you can find resources on praying the Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Stations of the Cross, inspiring studies like *Presence*, faith-based movies on Jesus, Mary, Joseph, and the saints. There are plenty of e-books and audios and that you can use on mobile phones. Content viewable on Roku (smart TVs). Available in English and Spanish.

Sign up instructions:

1. Visit FORMED.org
2. Click Sign Up
3. Select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization"
4. Find Holy Trinity Parish by parish name, address, or zip code
5. Enter your email - and you're in!

PROJECT NAZARETH (Archdiocese of Boston)

Visit <http://www.projectnazareth.org/>

- "Project Nazareth: Faith Begins at Home" is an initiative that will deliver weekly resources to families with children in pre-school through 5th grade
- Gives parents suggestions for how to Pray, Listen, Act and Ponder with a given topic
- Guided by Sacred Scripture and the Catechism of the Catholic Church
- Different series within Project Nazareth explore the fundamental Gospel message, the Sunday Mass readings and other special topics such as the Year of the Eucharist
- Not just another lesson to be completed by children at home, but a way to weave their faith formation into the fabric of family life.