

# Faith Formation & Life-Long Learning Ministries

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Members help develop and support ways the parish is awakening, and nurturing the faith of adults in the parish around the three major goals of (1) inviting and enabling ongoing conversion to Jesus, (2) promoting active participation in the life of the community and (3) preparing adults to act as disciples in the world.

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## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Provides an atmosphere of prayer, support, and faith formation on the journey toward the Sacraments of Initiation for those seeking membership in or full communion with the Catholic Church.

**Requirements:** A willing heart and a commitment to the process.

**Time Commitment:** One hour on Sunday mornings and some Tuesday evenings..

**Contact:** Deacon Frank at [mail@deaconfrank.com](mailto:mail@deaconfrank.com)

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## BAPTISM PREPARATION

Led by parishioners, baptism preparation sessions are held monthly in order to help new parents prepare for the gift and responsibility of raising children in our Roman Catholic Faith. These sessions are usually held on the second Tuesday of the month from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and are required before Baptism.

**Training:** Approximately one hour.

**Time Commitment:** Typically one 90 minute session every other month.

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## ADULT CONFIRMATION

Not to be confused with the R.C.I.A, adult confirmation is designed for baptized Catholics who have some knowledge of the Faith and who are active participants at Sunday mass. Adult confirmation is usually celebrated on Pentecost Sunday at the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

**Requirements:** Must be already confirmed and have a desire to connect to the parish.

**Time Commitment:** Program varies each year.

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## CATECHISTS (RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND GENERATIONS OF FAITH PROGRAMS)

A catechist is someone who presents the story of our Catholic Faith to young people in a way that enables them to see and experience faith as a "living reality."

**Training:** Catechist orientation session, usually in September.

**Requirements:** Completed the Sacraments of Initiation. A willingness to learn and desire to pass on faith to young people.

**Time Commitment:** Usually one hour and 15 minutes a week, September through May (Traditional Model) or two hours a month, September through May (Family Model).

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## ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Provides an opportunity throughout the year for adults to grow in their understanding of God's Word, learning how to intelligently read and make sense of the scriptures, our primary source of Christian Faith.

**Time Commitment:** Typically one 90 minute meeting every week.

**Contact:** Fred Vasapolli at \_\_\_\_\_ or Peggy Stern at \_\_\_\_\_

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## GENERATIONS OF FAITH (GOF)

An alternative to traditional classroom-based religious education, is our family-centered model that moves to the rhythm of parish life. It encourages and empowers families to learn and grow in faith by observing, questioning, and praying together. It provides resources and support so participants can grow and deepen their Baptismal call to faith and service.

**Time Commitment:** Typically one two-hour monthly session, September through May.

**Contact:** Gary Maccaroni at gmacc@churchofsaintann.net

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## LENTEN SMALL GROUPS

Are small groups that meet during the six weeks of Lent to explore the Scripture readings and topics relevant to living faith in today's world, deepen their faith, support one another, and give service to the larger community.

**Time Commitment:** Typically six one-hour sessions during the six weeks of Lent.

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## YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

It's an adoration and fellowship group at the Church of St. Ann in Lawrenceville, NJ. It takes inspiration from the new commandment, "Love one another".

**Time Commitment:** Meets monthly on Thursdays. Between monthly meetings, we go out for brunch after Sunday Mass and meet up (in person or virtually) spontaneously during the week for prayer and conversation.

**Contact:** John Holloway at saintannyoungadults@gmail.com

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## CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD LEADER (Suspended at this time)

Takes place during Sundays at the 9:30 A.M. Mass, from September to June. Led by parent volunteers, children, kindergarten and older, after listening to the readings from the Children's Lectionary, and a reflection adapted for children, are invited to do an activity.

**Training:** Approximately 30 minutes.

**Time Commitment:** 20 minutes every other week.

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## YOUTH MINISTRY GROUP

Provides an opportunity for high school youth to gather, socialize, build community, share faith, witness the Gospel on various levels, and participate in the life of the parish mission. Parent volunteers are always needed to support program activities.

**Requirements:** 7th through 12th grade.

**Time Commitment:** Program varies yearly but typically a bi-weekly meeting and occasional activities.

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