Family of Faith Schedule 2021-22

Our Family of Faith formation program (as the greater Catholic Church) expects parents to invest themselves in their children’s faith formation. Thus, parents are expected to attend the parent sessions that coincide with the student classroom sessions.

For the fall semester we will only be meeting on First Wednesdays of the month with students going into classrooms (K-6 @ IC) or small groups (7-12 @ Nativity) and parent sessions held at Immaculate Conception.

Beginning in spring semester 2022 parents and children will remain together in small family groups for their lessons on the First Wednesday of the month with regular classroom study/parent session on the Third Wednesday of the month.

We will also provide materials and instructions for home lessons/activities which are informative, fun, and strengthen our families. *These home lessons are vital to our program.*

Parents who have children only in grades 7 to 12 are also cordially welcomed and strongly encouraged to attend our parent sessions at Immaculate Conception Parish Center (First Wednesdays in fall semester, Third Wednesdays in spring semester).

Our schedule for the year:

**Grades K, 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6 students and parents:**

Meet every **First Wednesday** of the academic year through May:

- Oct. 6, Nov. 3, Dec. 1, Jan. 5, Feb. 2, March 9 (2\textsuperscript{nd} Wednesday due to Ash Wednesday on March 2), April 6, May 4

Beginning January of 2022 we will be adding **Third Wednesdays** for K-6 plus parents:

- Jan. 19, Feb. 16, March 23 (3\textsuperscript{rd} Wed. due to Ash Wed.), and April 20

**“First Wednesday” (fall) and “Third Wednesday” (spring) Drop Off and Dismissal:**

**Grade 7 to 12 Small Groups:** drop off students at Nativity Parish Center in time for 6:15 class start. These students are dismissed at 7:30 and bussing is available (if signed up) to Immaculate Conception Center in time for 7:45 parent/K-6 dismissal.

**K to 6 Students and Parent Session:** meet at 6:30 in Immaculate Conception Church; after prayer and announcements we’ll break to K through 6 classrooms and parents to parent session in IC Parish Center (Grade 7 to 12 parents also welcome and encouraged to attend parent session).

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**Grade 2** (with some students from other grades): **First Confession and First Communion.** The dates for these Sacraments are not yet set but we are hoping for First Confession during Advent and First Communion between Easter and Mother’s Day.

- **First Confession** Class Dates: Oct. 6, 13, 20 and 27; Nov. 3, 10, 17; Dec. 1
- **First Communion** Class Dates: Jan. 5, 19; Feb. 2, 16; March 9, 23; April 6, 20

We will have arrangements for older students to receive First Confession and Communion; more on that when we have it set up.

**Grades 7 to 12 Small Groups (includes 9th grade Confirmation preparation):** meet every Wednesday with following EXCEPTIONS;

- Nov. 24 (Thanksgiving break), December 8 (Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation), December 22 (Christmas break), March 2 (Ash Wednesday), April 13 (Easter break). May 2022 dates to be announced.

2022 Confirmation date is Sunday September 25.

**Pre-K Children (likely will be limited to a yet-to-be determined minimum age):** we hope to offer child care during K-6/Parent sessions. If you have ideas or can volunteer please let Dn. Roder know. We would like to make this child care faith-based in ways that cater to very young minds. Ideas and help appreciated!