

Dear Parents,

As we enter this new year of faith formation, I will be updating my contact lists with your religious education registration form information so I can keep you and your child aware of upcoming events. If you have not already done so, please fill out the [Religious Education 2020-21 Registration form](#) which can be found in the gather space or on the [SJN website](#).

Additionally, I update the [EDGE \(grades 6-8 religious education\)](#) and [Youth Ministry](#) (grades 6-12 activities) web pages weekly so please check to see what youth events are coming up. At the start of each month, I will have materials to be covered that month available for pickup in the gather space of the church for those who will not be joining us in-person. I will also be emailing all parents information prior to each Monday gathering.

If you use Facebook, I believe it will be beneficial for you to like/follow the SJN Merrimack page as it enables you to be notified when updates are posted. For updates on parish events (not just youth ministry), you can go the [SJN website](#) and [subscribe for parish emails](#).

Below is the schedule for the fall semester as we begin to delve into the creed. NOTE: The *italicized, bold text* are non-Monday opportunities to be more involved.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Comments</u>
<b>2020</b>	<b>CREED</b>	
14-Sep	EPIC UNIVERSE	
21-Sep	RESPOND	
28-Sep	THE FATHER	
5-Oct	HIDDEN	<i>College Care Packages (10/9)</i>
<b>12-Oct</b>	<b>OFF - Columbus Day long weekend</b>	
19-Oct	WHAT WE SEE	
26-Oct	THE FINAL CREATION	
<b>30-Oct</b>	<i>Trunk or Treat</i>	<i>Alternative Halloween</i>
1-Nov	Holy Day of Obligation: All Saints Day (& Daylight Savings Time ends)	
<b>2-Nov</b>	<b>OFF - VOTING TUESDAY</b>	
9-Nov	THE BIG LIE	
16-Nov	BAD NEWS	
<b>20-Nov</b>	<i>Christmas Shopping for Giving Tree</i>	<i>Pheasant Lane Mall-Chaperones</i>
<b>Nov 23 - 29</b>	<b>OFF - Thanksgiving week; 11/29 Advent begins</b>	
7-Dec	LONG LIVE THE KING+REST	
8-Dec	Holy Day of Obligation: Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary	
<b>12-Dec</b>	<i>Christmas Caroling</i>	
14-Dec	ROYAL DESCENT	
21-Dec	BATTLE CRY	
<b>Dec 23 - Jan 3</b>	<b>OFF - Christmas break</b>	

I look forward to working with you as I walk with your child(ren) this year on part of his/her faith journey.

Peace and blessings,

*Cheri' Andersen*