FAITH FORMATION

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH FAMILY NEWSLETTER

Faith Formation Registration Coming Soon

Grades 6-11: Class begins September 18 Grades 4K-5: Class begins September 29

The class calendar is currently awaiting approval. Once approved, you can register online or using a paper form. We will notify you via email, Remind messages, and announcements at Mass when registration opens. We will not be sending forms through the post office.

New this year

There will be no cost to participate in Faith Formation, but registration is still requred.

2024/2025 Catechists Needed for Grades 4K, 5, 6, 7, 9 All materials and training provided. We ask you to bring:

- A desire to grow in and share the Catholic faith
 - A commitment to the Church's sacramental life and moral teachings
 - A generous spirit, respect for diversity, and a habit of hospitality and inclusion

Contact Crystal or Father Harris for more information. A background check is required and provided at no cost.

Encounter Retreat

September 22 & 23, 2024 6:00-8:30p each day

St Joseph Catholic Church - Amery

All are welcome!

Food & Fellowship, Guest Speakers, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, Praise & Worship Music Register online at style="color: blue;">style="

Upcoming Events

August 7
Faith Formation
Committee Meeting
5:00p-5:45p

August 18
Confirmation Retreat
Students Only
St Joseph

August 18
10:30 Outdoor Mass
followed by
Parish Lunch
freewill offering

September 22-23
Parish Retreat
St. Joseph

September 18
Faith Formation
beings (Grades 6-11)

September 29
Faith Formation
begins (Grades 4K-5)

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Monthly Devotion

The Immaculate
Heart of Mary

Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary means to recall the emotions of joy and sadness that Mary experienced in her life. When you look at an image of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, you see a burning heart surrounded with a crown of thorns and pierced with a sword. The Immaculate Heart of Mary shows us that despite the sufferings of Jesus (crown of thorns), he loves all of us, regardless of our sins, and spilled his blood (the sword) in hope that we would join him in heaven. It is for this reason that despite the trials and sufferings of Jesus, Mary's heart still burns with love and devotion.

Read the full text from Our Sunday Visitor www.teachingcatholickids.com

Thank You for Supporting Our Youth

During the week of July 21-26, we hosted Totus Tuus. Totus Tuus, which means 'Totally Yours' in Latin, is a week-long Catholic program led by four young adult missionaries who come to our Parish to lead a day program for young students and an evening program for the older students.

We had a total of 33 students participate!
Thanks to all of the generous food and monetary donations, we were able to provide this program and lunch at no cost to our families! As the leader of the Faith Formation programming, I cannot thank you enough for supporting the youth and helping families engage and grow in their Catholic faith.

I would like to specifically thank the following:

- Pat and Mike Hafele and Aimee and Tom Smith for hosting the team in their homes for the week.
- Margie Sveback for preparing, serving, and cleaning up lunch every day.
- Sally Suckut, Rachel White, Collette Klitgard, and Dan Klitgard for preparing, serving, and cleaning up the Wednesday Parish Dinner.
- The families that provided dinner meals throughout the week for the team.
- Father Harris for leading daily Mass with Reconciliation, as well as an evening of Adoration and Reconciliation.

What a blessing this opportunity has been! We hope to offer this program again next summer!

God bless you all! Crystal Siebenaler