**Faith Formation Program Descriptions**

We will mail an official calendar to you in August. Attendance is very important and every effort should be made to attend each class. ☺

**1st – 6th Grades:** The vision for a strong Catholic family is one in which children learn the joys of following Jesus Christ and the truths of their faith through witnessing their parents’ Christian life. Starting September 24, parents and students will come together at the Centre for Christ for our Family Faith Formation sessions from 6-7:30pm. These parent/student sessions will always be the 3rd Wednesday of the month. The parents are provided the opportunity for continued growth in the Faith, while building community and celebrating Catholic life with other parents. Simultaneously, students will meet in classrooms to share the Faith at their level. In addition to this night, students will come after-school for classroom instruction on the 1st Wednesday of the month starting October 1st from 3:15-4:30pm (students will be bussed to the Centre for Christ from school with parents picking them up at the Centre for Christ). Parents are required to attend the 3rd Wed. of the month session in order for your child to attend the after-school session.

**7th – 9th Grades:** GIFT which stands for “Growing in Faith Together” is a way families can continue to have opportunities to learn and discuss their Catholic faith together. We meet twice a month, the first time with parents and the second time with students only. Your child will be placed in a small group for the year. Each family is asked to select either Sundays or Wednesdays to attend. If you have more than one child attending GIFT, you can pick which small group to attend. If you cannot make your night, you are invited to attend the other night session so you don’t miss any lessons. Our first session of the year will be Sunday, Sept. 7 and Wednesday, Sept. 10 with parents. It’s important to get your registration form in so we know which session your family is requesting.

**10th – 11th Grades:** Our two-year Confirmation program is attended by students only. Confirmation class is two Wednesday nights per month (2nd & 4th usually) from 7:45 pm-9:15 pm. As students prepare to receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and be fully initiated into the Catholic faith, we focus on applying our faith to our lives, building a strong foundation of prayer, and putting our faith in action. Both grades will have the same lesson each night, but the juniors have additional things that happen the year they are Confirmed.