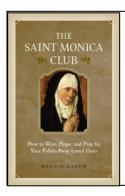
Adult Faith Formation Opportunities

St. Anthony on the Lake Parish 2025-2026

In keeping with our parish's mission to promote lifelong faith formation, we invite all adults to participate in the many opportunities for education and spiritual development offered throughout the program year.

If you have questions about adult faith formation at St. Anthony on the Lake, please contact Al McCauley:

<u>mccauleya@stanthony.cc</u> or consult our parish website: https://www.stanthony.cc/Adult



The Saint Monica Club: How to Wait, Hope, and Pray for Your Fallen-Away Loved Ones A compassionate guide for those who suffer the rejection of the Faith by loved ones. After buying the book on your own and reading it over the summer, we will gather to discuss it as a group. (F&G) Tuesday, August 12 @ 6:00-7:15 p.m.

The Restless Heart of St.

Augustine — As one of the most influential figures in history, St.

Augustine remains a towering presence in the Church. Learn of his life and continued impact in this special presentation. (FH)

Tue., August 19 @ 11:00a.m.12:00p.m. or 6:00-7:00p.m.





Ordinary Lives, Extraordinary Faith: Carlo Acutis & Pier Giorgio Frassati The longanticipated canonization of these two young Saints bears witness that the world hungers for authenticity, hope, and purpose! (FH) Tue., September 2 @ 11:00a.m.-12:00p.m. or 6:00-7:00p.m.

The Mass: The Mystery We Celebrate Everything Catholics do and say at Mass has significance and meaning. To gain a greater appreciation for this wonderful celebration, we'll discuss the structure, prayers, and gestures of the Mass. (F&G) Tue., September 9, 16, 23, 30 @ 11:00a.m.-12:00p.m. or 6:00-7:00p.m.



EMERITUS GROUP

Sunday School for Adults

The Emeritus Group is a twice-monthly gathering of interested adults for faith-sharing and fellowship. We meet when the Family Program sessions are scheduled, from **10:20-10:50 a.m.**, to explore various aspects of our Catholic faith in a small group setting. **(F&G)**

Sundays, Oct. 5, 19; Nov. 2, 16; Dec. 7; Jan. 4, 18; Feb. 1, 15; March 1, 15



Bible Study: Matthew's Gospel This is an in-depth exploration of the primary Gospel proclaimed in Liturgical Year A, which begins in Advent. Choose to attend from either 11:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. or 6:00-7:00 p.m. (F&G) Tuesdays, October 21, 28, November 4, 11



The Fact & Fiction of Legendary Saints—Jesus predicted that astonishing deeds would be accomplished in His name. What are we to make of the miraculous actions of Saints? In this presentation, we will discern fact from fiction in the lives of several legendary Saints. (FH) Thur., October 30 @ 11:00a.m.-



12:00p.m. or 6:00-7:00p.m.

Bible Study: Reflections on the Seasonal Scriptures This is an opportunity to read and study the Bible through the Lectionary cycle. We'll meet during Advent and Lent. Choose to attend @ 11:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. or 6:00-7:00 p.m. (F&G)

ADVENT: Tuesdays, November 25, December 2, 9, 16 LENT: Tuesdays, February 17, 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24

Nicholas of Myra: Saint & Santa — Bishop Nicholas has been a revered and beloved Saint for seventeen centuries. How did this Christian bishop and miracle-worker become associated with the jolly Christmas toy-bringer? (FH) Thur., December 4 @ 11:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. or 6:00-7:00 p.m.





Bible Study: The Book of Jonah This is an in-depth exploration of one of the most iconic stories in the Sacred Scriptures. The story of Jonah both foreshadows the life of Jesus, and it contains timely lessons for our troubled world. Choose to attend from either 11:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. or 6:00-7:00 p.m. (F&G) Tuesdays, January 13, 20, 27, February 3



Lenten Morning of Reflection Take a few hours on a Saturday in Lent to gather for presentations as we anticipate and explore lessons of Holy Week. Opportunities to engage in various forms of prayer as well as reflection, conversation, and fellowship will be offered. (PLC) Sat., March 14 @ 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.



Art & Soul: The Spirituality of Catholic Imagery – Explore the historical span and enduring lessons of art, as seen through the lens of our Catholic faith.

(F&G) Tuesdays, April 21, 28, May 5, 12 @ 11:00a.m.-12:00p.m. or 6:00-7:00p.m.



Devotions of Mercy – Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and His Divine Mercy are inseparable. Who are the visionaries graced with these apparitions, what messages do they have for us, and how are these devotions connected? (FH) Tue., June 9 @ 11:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. or 6:00-7:00 p.m.



St. Mary Magdalene: Apostle to the Apostles

Mary Magdalene is arguably the most misunderstood of all Saints. For centuries, she has been portrayed as a repentant prostitute, which diminishes her role as the first evangelist of Jesus' Resurrection. Let's rehabilitate her reputation! (FH) Tue., June 23 @ 11:00a.m.-12:00p.m. or 6:00-7:00p.m.

2025-2026 CALENDAR AT A GLANCE*

<u>AUGUST</u>

Tue 12 Summer Book Study – *The Saint Monica Club*

Tue 19 St. Augustine Presentation (FH)*

SEPTEMBER

Tue	2	Sts. Carlo Acutis & Giorgio Frassati Presentation	(FH)*

Tue	9	The Mass: The Mystery We Celebrate #1
Tue	16	The Mass: The Mystery We Celebrate #2
Tue	23	The Mass: The Mystery We Celebrate #3
Tue	30	The Mass: The Mystery We Celebrate #4

OCTOBER

Sun	5	The Emeritus Group: Sunday School for Adults
Sun	19	The Emeritus Group: Sunday School for Adults
Tue	21	Bible Study: The Gospel of Matthew #1
Tue	28	Bible Study: The Gospel of Matthew #2
Thu	30	The Fact & Fiction of Legendary Saints (FH)*

NOVEMBER

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Tue	4	Bible Study: The Gospel of Matthew #3
Tue	11	Bible Study: The Gospel of Matthew #4
Sun	16	The Emeritus Group: Sunday School for Adults
Tue	25	Reflections on the Advent Scriptures – Week 1

The Emeritus Group: Sunday School for Adults

DECEMBER

2	Reflections on the Advent Scriptures – Week 2
4	Nicholas of Myra: Saint & Santa (FH)*
7	The Emeritus Group: Sunday School for Adults
9	Reflections on the Advent Scriptures – Week 3
16	Reflections on the Advent Scriptures – Week 4
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^{*} All sessions take place in meeting room F&G, except where noted.

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Sun	4	The Emeritus Group: Sunday School for Adults
Tue	13	Bible Study: The Book of Jonah #1
Sun	18	The Emeritus Group: Sunday School for Adults
Tue	20	Bible Study: The Book of Jonah #2
Tue	27	Bible Study: The Book of Jonah #3
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Sun	1	The Emeritus Group: Sunday School for Adults
Tue	3	Bible Study: The Book of Jonah #4
Sun	15	The Emeritus Group: Sunday School for Adults
Tue	17	Reflections on the Lenten Scriptures – Week 1
Tue	24	Reflections on the Lenten Scriptures – Week 2
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Sun	1	The Emeritus Group: Sunday School for Adults
Tue	3	Reflections on the Lenten Scriptures – Week 3
Tue	10	Reflections on the Lenten Scriptures – Week 4
Sat	14	Lenten Morning of Reflection (PLC)*
Sun	15	The Emeritus Group: Sunday School for Adults
Tue	17	Reflections on the Lenten Scriptures – Week 5
Tue	24	Reflections on the Lenten Scriptures – Week 6
<u>APRIL</u>	:	
Tue	21	Art & Soul: The Spirituality of Catholic Imagery #1
Tue	28	Art & Soul: The Spirituality of Catholic Imagery #2
MAY		
Tue	5	Art & Soul: The Spirituality of Catholic Imagery #3
Tue	12	Art & Soul: The Spirituality of Catholic Imagery #4
<u>JUNE</u>		
Tue	9	Complementary Devotions of Mercy: The Sacred Heart
		of Jesus & Divine Mercy (FH)*
Tue	23	St. Mary Magdalene: Apostle to the Apostles (FH)*

JANUARY



Interested in Joining the Catholic Church?

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is a journey of deepening one's spiritual life for those seeking to become Catholic. The OCIA process is designed for adults who are *unbaptized* or those who were baptized as infants but had little experience with regular church attendance or catechesis. It's also for those *baptized in another Christian tradition* who would like to become Catholic.



"The soul grows by learning."

-- St. Augustine

