



2026-27 St. Patrick with St. Malachi Oratory PSR CALENDAR



** Bold = In-Person Session @ 9:45-10:45 AM in St Patrick Club Building Faith Formation Center, FFC
Underline = Sunday Family Mass at 4:30PM at St. Malachi Oratory (SMO) or at St. Patrick Church (STP)*

September

*Sep 13	"Meet the Catechists" Open House; student nameplates created; Box of Joy effort begins
*Sep 20	Session 1; Parent Unit 1 Opener; Box of Joy distribution; <i>Catechetical Sunday</i>
*Sep 27	Session 2; Box of Joy distribution; New Parent Q & A; First Communion Parent Q & A

October

<u>Oct 4</u>	<u>Family Mass SMO @ 4:30 PM + Session # 3 at home</u>
*Oct 11	Session # 4; Unit 2 Parent Opener; final distribution Boxes of Joy
Oct 18	Session # 5 at home
*Oct 25	All Saints Celebration + Boxes of Joy return & packing (no Box returns after today)

November

<u>Nov 1</u>	Session # 6 at home + <u>Family Mass SMO @ 4:30 PM</u>
*Nov 8	Session # 7 Unit 3 Parent Opener. Initiate Giving Tree project
Nov 15	Session #8 at home
*Nov 22	Session # 9; Feast of Christ the King. Confirmation Parent-Student Meeting Oak Rm, 12:15

OFF Nov 29 for Thanksgiving /First Sunday in Advent

December

<u>Dec 6</u>	<u>Family Mass SMO at 10 AM + St Nicholas Celebration; Session # 10 Advent lesson at home</u>
*Dec 13	Session # 15 on Christmas Gr K-6; "Advent in the Church Year" for Gr 7-8
*Dec 20	Family Lessons & Carols Celebration in Oak Room; Session # 11 at home

OFF Dec 27 for Christmas and New Year

January

<u>Jan 3</u>	Session # 12 at home + <u>Epiphany Family Mass SMO @ 4:30 PM</u>
*Jan 10	Session # 13; Gr 2 begin Blessed First Reconciliation Confirmation 1, FFC Conference Room 12:15-1:30.
Jan 17	Session # 14 at home
*Jan 24	Session # 16; Unit 4 Parent Opener , Confirmation 2, FFC Conference Room 12:15-1:30

Jan 31	Session # 17 at home. Confirmation 3, FFC Conference Room 9:30-10:45 + attend 11 AM Mass
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February

<u>Feb 7</u>	<i>Family Mass SMO 4:30 PM</i> + #18 at home. Feb 10 is Ash Wednesday Confirmation 4, St Malachi Oratory Meeting Room, 3-4:15.
*Feb 14	Family Eucharistic Devotions, Oak Room. First Communicants begin "Blessed First Communion"
Feb 21	Session # 19 at home
Wed., Feb 24	Diocese Evening of Confession at SIHS St. Mary's Chapel 5-8 PM, with First Reconciliation & Confirmation Candidates
*Feb 28	Gr 1-6 # 20; Gr 7-8 # 15 & 20 (Lent & Holy Week); Unit 5 Opener.

March

<u>Mar 7</u>	Session# 21, <i>Family Mass 4:30 PM STP: Lumen Christi Day Retreat,</i> Communion & Confirmation students
*Mar 14	8:30 Mass followed immediately by Family Stations of the Cross in Church + "Take-Homes"
*Mar 21	Palm Sunday # 22

OFF March 28 for Easter

April

*Apr 4	"Empowering God's Children" lesson; no Family Mass; Session # 23 at home. Divine Mercy Sunday
Apr 11	Session # 24 at home. 2:30 PM CONFIRMATION celebration at the CATHEDRAL with Bishop Malesic
*Apr 18	Session # 25, final in-person session
Apr 24-25	FIRST COMMUNION at St Malachi and St Patrick churches

May

<u>May 2</u>	<i>Closing PSR Family Mass, STP @ 4:30 PM</i> + Family Gratitude Potluck
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IMPORTANT NOTES for PARENTS:

The Oak Room is an available quiet space for parents on non-Unit Opener / Parent Meeting days

Curriculum for K- Grade 8 is Loyola Press *Finding God* Family Faith Formation

A session from *Finding God* student book is listed for each week. For non-in-person weeks, the lesson is completed at home. After completion, the Loyola Press Session Review is found at:

<https://www.loyolapress.com/faith-formation/finding-god/finding-god-2021/parents-and-students/resources/>

When completed online, Session Review is emailed to:

Psr.tracking@patrickmalachicleveland.org. Please check this address for accuracy, as completion is recorded. Students who complete home lessons receive a Certificate of Completion in June.

Finding God has five Units each with five sessions. Parents gather with Catechetical Leader and/or PSR Coordinator for each Unit Opener to discuss and share faith on the topic of the Unit, which is uniform for Grades K- 6.

Grades 7 & 8 use “flipped classroom” model where students read the lesson at home prior to in-person meeting; students pray, discuss lesson content, and engage in service for PSR and Parish community during in-person gatherings. This content does not follow the Gr 1-6 schema for a lesson.

PSR Service Projects this year, supported by Parents and Grades 7 & 8 Students, include:

- Boxes of Joy in September and October
- St Patrick Giving Tree in November and December
- Malachi Center Charity of the Month, service at hot meals, other options as needed

Family Mass is celebrated at either SMO (St Malachi church) or STP (St Patrick church) as noted

Registration Fee of \$35 covers cost of *Finding God* Student Book; scholarships are available on request

Direct questions to Mary Holtz, PSR Coordinator at mholtz@patrickmalachicleveland.org, or to Stephanie Pritts, Catechetical Leader, at spritts@patrickmalachicleveland.org or by phone at 216-631-6872 X 2201. Inform Mary Holtz re: student absences on *Remind* app.