

Good Shepherd Parish

Faith Formation



Welcome! We are so happy to be a part of this community and to serve the families and children at our Church.

Below, you will find the program schedule for Pathways and the schedule for Faith Formation events. This year, we will explore the joy of our redemption in Christ through a program called Seek and look at the Creed that we say every week at Mass through the sequence Root.

Review the Faith Formation events & class schedule in the following two pages.

The family-centered program has eleven classes at the Church, each for an hour and fifteen minutes. The sessions include parents, adolescents, and children, and will be held on Sunday mornings at both St. Zepherin (after the 8:30 am Mass) and St. Ann (before the 10:30 am Mass).

Root also includes six at-home family activities, each taking only about fifteen to thirty minutes, max. They're paired with the church meetings to help families share their faith in the intimacy of their home.

We are excited to be a part of your family's faith journey and we look forward to deepening our relationship with Christ and with each other. If you would like to learn more about the program or have any questions, please email us. Thank you & God bless your family.

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Faith Formation Event Schedule for Grades K-9 Families		
DATES & TIMES		EVENT DETAILS
Thursday, Aug 28th	7:00-8:00pm	Parent Meeting for all K-9 Parents on Zoom.
Tuesday, Aug 26th	7:30-8:30pm	Catechist K-9 Pathways check in at St. Zepherin Parish Center. Catechist K-9 Pathways check in at St. Ann Hall. Agenda: material pick up, Q+ A, CORI form, VIRTUS sign up.
Tuesday, Sept 2 nd	7:30-8:30pm	
Sunday, Sep 7 th (Catechist Mass)		Special Blessing for all our catechists on Sunday Masses, at St. Zepherin 8:30am Mass & St. Ann 10:30am Mass.
Sunday, Sept 14 th	11:30-2:00pm	Parish Appreciation Cook-out St. Ann by the rectory
Sunday, Sep 21 st	11:30-1:00pm	Grades K-5 Child Safety St. Ann's Hall
Sunday, Oct 19 th	6:30- 7:30pm	Grades 6-12 Child Safety St. Zepherin Parish Center
(IMPORTANT NOTE) 		***Sep 21 st is a proposed dates/ time. We will confirm Child Safety date and time for Grades K-5 in the fall****
Saturday, Nov 8 th	5:30-7:30pm	Saints' Movie Night & Pizza! St. Ann lawn/church
Saturday, Dec 6 th	10:00-5:00pm	Confirmation Retreat for Grades 8 & 9, at St. Ann Hall/Church.
Sunday, Dec 7 th	9:30-1:00pm	Santa Breakfast (K-5 families) St. Zepherin Parish Center
Sunday, Jan 4 th	9:15-1:00pm	Epiphany Pageant (K-5 children) St. Ann Hall/ Church
Saturday, Mar 14 th	9:00-1:00pm	First Holy Communion Penance Retreat for <u>All</u> Making First Holy Communion at St. Zepherin Parish Center. <u>Parent(s) with their child(ren). Mandatory Retreat.</u>
Sunday, Mar 29 th	12:00-6:30pm	Palm Sunday Retreat for Grades 6 & 7, at St. Zepherin Parish Center/ Church.
Sunday, April 26 th	3:00-4:00pm	First Holy Communion Teaching Mass for All Making First Holy Communion at St. Ann. <u>Parent(s) with their child(ren). Mandatory.</u>
Sunday, May 3 rd	10:30-11:30am	Crowning of Mary at 10:30am St. Ann Mass Children are invited to join the crowning ceremony.
<u>1st First Holy Communion Ceremony</u> Saturday, May 2 nd & Sunday, May 3 rd Saturday, May 16 th & Sunday, May 17 th Saturday, May 30 th & Sunday, May 31 st		1st Holy Communion at St. Ann & St. Zepherin weekend Masses. With 4 slots per Mass at 4:00 pm Saturday, 8:30 am, 10:30 am Sunday. *By mid-March, we'll email a link to a Sign-up Genius page. *
Sunday, May 17 th	11:30-2:00pm	Volunteer Appreciation Brunch St. Ann Hall
Sunday, June 14 th	11:30-1:30pm	Kids' Field Day for Grades K-5 families, at St. Ann's parking lot.
CONFIRMATION CEREMONY (TBD)		Proposed Apr. 11 th , May 9 th & 30 th . Finalized Date/ time, by end of Fall.

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Faith Formation Class Schedule for Grades K-9 Families

11 Church sessions & 6 home activities exploring the Kerygma and the Creed. All class sessions include parents, children and teens. Class Times are in addition to Saturday or Sunday Mass Attendance.

Masses are at 8:30am, 5:30pm at St. Zepherin and 10:30am, 4:00pm at St. Ann.

Sunday, Sept 7 Seek: Session 1	Class: 9:30-10:45am Class: 9:00-10:15am	St. Zepherin Parish Center St. Ann Hall
Sunday, Sept 28 Seek: Session 2	Class: 9:30-10:45am Class: 9:00-10:15am	St. Zepherin Parish Center St. Ann Hall
Sunday, Oct 19 th Seek: Session 3	Class: 9:30-10:45am Class: 9:00-10:15am	St. Zepherin Parish Center St. Ann Hall
Sunday, Nov 9 th Seek: Session 4	Class: 9:30-10:45am Class: 9:00-10:15am	St. Zepherin Parish Center St. Ann Hall
Sunday, Nov 23 rd Root: Session 1	Class: 9:30-10:45am Class: 9:00-10:15am	St. Zepherin Parish Center St. Ann Hall
Sunday, Dec 14 th Root: Session 2	Class: 9:30-10:45am Class: 9:00-10:15am	St. Zepherin Parish Center St. Ann Hall
Sunday, Jan 11 th Root: Session 3	Class: 9:30-10:45am Class: 9:00-10:15am	St. Zepherin Parish Center St. Ann Hall
Sunday, Feb 1 st Root: Session 4	Class: 9:30-10:45am Class: 9:00-10:15am	St. Zepherin Parish Center St. Ann Hall
Sunday, March 1 st Root: Session 5	Class: 9:30-10:45am Class: 9:00-10:15am	St. Zepherin Parish Center St. Ann Hall
Sunday, March 22 nd Root: Session 6	Class: 9:30-10:45am Class: 9:00-10:15am	St. Zepherin Parish Center St. Ann Hall
Sunday, April 12 th Root: Session 7 (LAST CLASS)	Class: 9:30-10:45am Class: 9:00-10:15am	St. Zepherin Parish Center St. Ann Hall