

FORMATION

AXIOM (High School Faith Formation)

Axiom is a Catholic program open to high school students (grades 9-12) of all faiths. It provides an environment where young people can experience a deeper spirituality and become closer to Christ, the Church and other teens. This program is Eucharist centered, and begins at 6:00 PM Sunday with the Youth Mass and ends at 8:30 PM after Mass. All high school teens are invited to participate in a rotating schedule of religious education, issue discussion, and social nights. Adult stewards of all ages are welcome to share their gifts and talents in various capacities with our youth.

Stephanie Craig 375-6651

CATALYST

Using the same principles as Axiom, this program is designed for the Middle School (6, 7 & 8 grades) youth of the parish. The program is geared toward getting teens excited about their faith while learning more about it. Meetings are every Wednesday evening from 7:00 to 8:00 PM in Donoghue Hall.

Ben Geile and Nancy Brennan 375-6651

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children in 1st through 4th grades or in RCIA are invited to attend a Children's Liturgy of the Word during 9:00 and 11:00 AM Masses in the Resurrection Room. They hear and discuss (on their level) the Gospel reading for that Sunday and return to the church for the celebration of the Eucharist. There is no registration for this activity. Teen and adult stewards are needed as facilitators and assistants.

Nancy Brennan 375-6651

ECHOES OF FAITH

This is an adult learning program. It is presented in easy-to-follow video segments, coupled with facilitator led discussions. There is need for stewards who have completed a catechist training program to facilitate sessions.

Mely Zaragosa 378-4080

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION Grades 1-2 (Sacramental Preparation)

This program is offered to children Grades 1-2. Children attend class once a week on Sundays between the 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM Masses or Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00 PM or Wednesday afternoons from 4:30 to 6:00 PM, from September to mid April. Classes are taught by volunteers. Beginning in first grade, children are prepared for First Reconciliation and Holy Communion which they receive in the second grade.

Wendy Sleisher 375-6651X118

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION Grades 3-5

This program is offered to children Grades 3-5. These classes are meant to support

parents' efforts to hand on the Catholic Faith to their children and to foster a faith community. Children attend class once a week on Wednesday afternoons from 4:30 to 6:00 PM, Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00 PM, and Sunday mornings from 9:40 to 10:50 AM September through April. Classes are taught by volunteers who receive ongoing training, support, and resources.

Nancy Brennan 375-6651X111

F.I.Y.A. (Fellowship Inspiring Young Adults)

FIYA provides opportunities for fellowship for anyone 18-39ish. Regular events will be on the 4th Saturday with the 5 PM Mass and event following, and a faith-building evening on the 2nd week of each month (rotating nights). Outdoor recreation, service, and other events are scheduled sporadically.

Cindi Duft 407-5006

GOOD NEWS PUPPETEERS

Teens and Pre-teens are encouraged to share their talents in this ministry. Puppeteers will meet on a week end day 2 or 3 times during the school year to make puppet characters and stage props, write and practice Gospel scripts, and video puppet shows to be used during Children's Liturgy of the Word, and faith formation events. Youth stewards with desire to explore creative talents or those just wanting to enjoy a fun opportunity are invited and encouraged to participate. All ages are welcome.

Art Galus 377-8768

LIBRARY

The library, located in room 108, is open to all parishioners. Available are videos, audio tapes, reference books, and various other educational, spiritual, or inspirational materials. Materials are checked out a self-help basis.

Marybeth LaMott 853-1527

PRE-SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION

This program is for pre-school children, ages 3-5 (your child must be 3 yrs. by September 1st of that year). The classes take place on Sunday during the 8:30 and 11:00 AM Masses. Each class lasts one hour. Classes start in October and run through April. Parents are asked to help in their child's class 2-3 times per year. Pre-teen, teen, and adult stewards are welcome.

Nancy Brennan 375-6651

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION (FAMILY RCIA & TEEN CONFIRMATION)

Family RCIA is for children 7 years of age through High School who are in a process of preparation to receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, First Reconciliation, Eucharist, and Confirmation). Family RCIA is for the whole family with parents as the first and irreplaceable teachers of their children in handing on the faith. Teen Confirmation is for High School Teens grade 9 and older who are in a process of preparation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Family RCIA and Teen Confirmation meet monthly from September through May. Already confirmed teens and adults are needed to share their faith.

Wendy Sleisher 375-6651

SMALL FAITH COMMUNITIES

Small Faith Community is an experience that brings Church alive for its members. It is real; it is alive; it is personal. Small Faith Communities provide fellowship, ongoing spiritual sharing, and opportunities to serve the parish. They foster and enrich the participant's faith and spiritual growth. The SFC's meet weekly in member's homes.

Kathy Cannon 376-8318 Karen Simkins 869-6804

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

For an entire week in June, children in grades pre-school through 5th enjoy summer fun at Vacation Bible School. At VBS, experience our faith by making new friends, learning Bible Camp songs, and making crafts. This program runs from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Youth (grades 6 and up) to the elders of our community are needed to volunteer and will find great opportunities to serve God. Look for planning dates and times in the bulletin beginning in March.

Nancy Brennan 375-6651