

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Youth Faith Formation

Pre-K through 5th Grade

2023-24





At St. Vincent de Paul, it is our privilege to be walking this faith journey with your family. Our ministries are here to help support and guide you in developing the faith in your children. We are excited to offer the following ministries to help your children embrace our faith.

If you have any questions about the Faith Formation programs, please contact Susie Wilson in the Parish Office.

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KIDS' SMALL GROUPS

FAITH • FUN • FRIENDS

KINDERGARTEN - 5TH GRADE

Kids' Small Groups is a faith formation opportunity for Kindergarten through 5th grade children during the school year. In Kids' Small Groups, our goal is to help children develop a strong bond with members of their church family while learning about their faith. Children will experience faith, fun, and friends in these small groups that meet between Masses on specified Sundays of the month.

Kids' Small Groups will cover the four parts of the Catechism. This year will focus on the Sacraments.



September 10	What is a Sacrament?
October 1	Safe Environment
October 15	Sacraments of Initiation
November 5	Confirmation
December 3	The Eucharist Mass Pt.1
January 7	The Eucharist Mass Pt.2
January 21	Sacraments of Healing
February 4	Anointing of the Sick
February 18	Ash Wednesday Lent
March 3	Holy Orders



Welcome: Snack & Conversation

Worship: Music & experiencing different ways to pray

Word: Exploring the Word of God – Learning about Jesus

Witness: Applying the message to our daily lives

Our Goal

To help children develop a strong bond with members of their church family, while studying the bible and learning about their faith.

Groups will be assigned by grade level and will remain the same as children advance from year to year.



FIRST RECONCILIATION

2ND OR 3RD GRADE

First Reconciliation/First Communion is for children in the 2nd and 3rd grades and their parents. There are nine sessions to help parents prepare their children for these two sacraments. Most are scheduled on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:45 p.m.

Overview of Sessions

Session 1 - August 13, 1-3 p.m.

GOD GIVES US LIFE

Theme: God Wants Us to Be Safe

Session 2 - August 30, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

YOU ARE BLESSED

Theme: Becoming the Best Version of Yourself

Session 3 - September 13, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

Theme: Love God & Love Your Neighbor

Session 4 - October 4, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

GOD WILL ALWAYS LOVE YOU

Theme: Forgiveness

Session 5 - November 8, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

YOUR FIRST RECONCILIATION

Theme: Great Moments in Life

Celebration of First Reconciliation

Thursday Dec 14, 7 p.m.

FIRST COMMUNION

Overview of Sessions

Session 1 - January 10, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

WE PARTICIPATE AT MASS

Theme: We Gather as a Church

Parents: A Biblical Walk Through the Mass: Part 1

Session 2 - January 17, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

WE SHARE GOD'S WORD

Theme: We Listen to God's Word

Parents: A Biblical Walk Through the Mass: Part 2

Session 3 - February 7, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

WE REMEMBER & GIVE THANKS

Theme: We Lift Our Hearts

Parents: A Biblical Walk Through the Mass: Part 3 & 4

Session 4 - March 20, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

WE SHARE THE BREAD OF LIFE

Theme: Preparing For Your First Communion

Parents: A Biblical Walk Through the Mass: Part 5

March 23, 9 a.m.

FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT

Dates to Remember

March 20 First Communion practice (during session)

April 4 First Communion pictures - 6:30 p.m.

Bible Quest

3RD - 5TH GRADE

Bible Quest is an opportunity for all children in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades and their families, to become more familiar with the Bible itself while watching a video about a Bible hero and an object lesson.

These sessions are held monthly from 10-11 a.m. in the Ville, on select dates.



September 17
The Miracles of Jesus

October 22
The Parables of Jesus

November 12
Treasures in Heaven

December 10
The King Is Born

January 14
The Greatest Is the Least

February 11
Lazarus Lives

March 24
The Messiah Comes

April 21
He Is Risen

Gathering
Introduction

Sending
Preview of next Bible Hero
Closing Prayer

Breaking

Enjoy video of Bible Champion
Read Bible passage
Object lesson related to theme
Faith question to discuss with parents



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

4 YEAR OLD - 5TH GRADE

Vacation Bible School is held the third week in June for children ages four through those entering 5th grade. A central bible theme, combined with an "Adventure" theme make this an exciting week. Meaningful music, creative crafts and super skits are just some of the great activities children enjoy as they learn more about their faith.



Save the date for 2024!
June 17-21, 9am-12:30pm



LIFE

Living Inspired Faith Everywhere

4 YEAR OLD - 12TH GRADE

October 1

St. Vincent de Paul

February 4

Creed

November 12

Morality

March 3

Sabbath

LIFE seeks to deepen the faith of the whole family! Invite your family and friends to an evening of delicious food, creative talks and videos, engaging conversation, and lively music.

Children's Breakouts enable more creative & fun learning activities. Our catechists provide interactive lessons, crafts, and music for grade-specific groups.



Dinner at 5:00 p.m.

Session at 5:45 p.m.



