

Mass Schedule

St. James

Saturday: 4PM, 7PM (Vietnamese)

Sunday: 8:30AM, 11:30AM (Spanish)

5:00PM

**St. James & St John the Baptist
Catholic Collaborative Parishes**

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Mass Schedule

St. John the Baptist

Sunday: 10AM

July 22, 2019

Greetings Faith Formation families!

The new Faith Formation year will be here quickly and registration is now open! Our collaborative parishes are excited to continue the faith journey with your family. Although there will be some changes to the program this coming year, all Faith Formation classes will continue to meet at the St. James School on Primrose Street on Sunday mornings from 10-11AM. One change you will notice is that you will have a new face greeting you on Sunday mornings! Although I have had an amazing year, I have decided to return to teaching and will be leaving my position in August. I know you and the program will benefit from our new Collaborative Coordinator, Mrs. Joelle Mather!

In addition to enhancing what is taught at home by exploring the teachings of our Catholic faith, the classes for grades K-8 will focus on the Sunday Gospel by using the Pflaum Gospel Weeklies. This focus will assist families in having conversations about the Gospel that is proclaimed each Sunday! The classes for the youth in grades 9 and 10 will be using the Dynamic Catholic program called Decision Point. These sessions will lead them to a deeper appreciation and understanding of our Catholic faith through meaningful conversations and activities!

The yearly Faith Formation classes are only one part of your child's faith journey. Attendance at Mass should be the main focus of your weekend, and our collaborative has many opportunities for Mass attendance! If you do not already attend Mass regularly, I ask you to prayerfully consider which Mass will work best for your family. A schedule of Masses in our collaborative can be found at the bottom of this letter.

Your family Registration Form is enclosed with this letter. Please take a moment to review the information, fill in any missing information, and make any necessary corrections. It is requested that the Registration Form be mailed back to the Collaborative Coordinator by the beginning of September 6th. Classes will begin the weekend of September 29th, and children must be registered ahead of time in order to be able to attend.

I also ask that you prayerfully consider volunteering your time and talents to the Faith Formation program. In order for the sessions to be held we need you! There are opportunities for you to volunteer as a Catechist (session teacher), aide, hall monitor, or substitute! Please contact the office with which area you are interested in volunteering for! As a reminder, all volunteers must have completed the Archdiocese safety program, *Protecting God's Children (PGC)*, and a CORI form (background check). The PCG class will be held at Sacred Hearts Parish in Bradford on the following dates: Sun., Aug. 25th at 12:45PM, Tue., Sep. 24th at 6:30PM, Tue., Oct. 8th at 6:30PM, pre-registration is recommended!

Thank you for all you do for our collaborative and our faith – we are working together to make disciples for Jesus! I look forward to receiving your family registration!

Blessings,



Bridget Lacefield

Pastoral Coordinator of Life Long Faith Formation