

Pay it Forward:

Become an Altar Server or Join the Children's Choir! Get a credit!

If you attended Maker Fun Factory VBS 2017 you already have a credit!

It Happens at Home:

SAINT ALIVE Book Report PROJECT—

for Boys and Girls in Grades 3-7

Here's how it works: Purchase a Saint Book from our special Saint Library. Read it and write a book report on the Saint book. We have dozens of Saints to choose from. **YOU MUST USE OUR BOOKS FOR THIS PROJECT.** Reports must be 2 pages and include the story of the Saint and what it is that you liked or admired about them. Assignment will be modified for 1st & 2nd graders participating with their families

Parenting Extras— Participate in ANY of these programs and get a credit. Information can be found on the parish website.

1 to 5 Parenting : for parents of children 1-5 yrs of age. Sept 2017 & Jan 2018

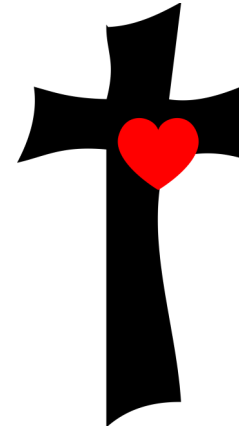
Christian Active Parenting : for parents of children from 5-12 years of age- begins January 2018 in 2 convenient time slots.

Active Parenting of Teens: Early 2018- struggling with adolescence— this one is for you!. Details TBA— 2 convenient time slots.

Divorce Care for Parents AND Kids- for families who are separated or divorced. Tuesday evenings starting this fall. Parents and children meet separately in their own groups.

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Family Faith

Formation

Passport



Family Events:

SCREENAGERS:

This is a SPECIAL event for 6, 7 & 8th graders together with their parents. Parents of 4th and 5th graders welcome to come alone but no children younger than 6th grade please. A documentary on growing up in the digital age and how to negotiate it in family life so that are relationships stay healthy.

Advent Family Weekend: “Mark My Word!!!

Sunday, December 3 after the 8:30 Mass (9:30am) -until 12:30 PM

As we enter cycle B we begin to read Mark’s Gospel each Sunday at Mass. Begin Advent with us as we prepare the way!
Guest appearance by the real St. Nicholas!



Shrove Tuesday: Feb 13, 2018 Pancakes and Lent to GO!

Support our teens at their annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper and get your Family Lent ‘to go’ kit!

Holy Thursday Pot Luck and Mass: March 29th 5:30 PM

Gather at a table with our family and then to church with our church family. This is the night we celebrate Jesus instituting the Eucharist.

To Mass We ‘Know’

Join Fr Joe as he celebrates Mass and teaches us the way through. A learning celebration for the whole family! Date TBA

“Welcome to Our House Blessed Mother” :

Take one of our Marian kits home for a week- Set up your Family Marian Shrine. Pray the rosary as a Family and report your experience to us on the forms provided. (1 credit)



Watch your email for information on all events for the Family Passport and how to sign in for credit.

It Happens in Church:

Children may receive a SINGLE credit for attending :

NEW This Year ‘Grade’ Sponsored Masses:

Families will gather to attend Mass together and participate in the music, ushering, greeting, and readings during the year: Families with children in a particular grade will be asked to gather in the GYM at 9:15 AM to plan for the 9:45 AM Mass .

Family Mass Schedule:

1st Grade Sundays: 4/8 & 4/22	2nd Grade Sundays 3/4 & 3/18
3rd Grade Sundays 2/4 & 2/18	4th Grade Sundays 1/7 & 1/21
5th Grade Sundays 12/3 & 12/17	6th Grade Sundays 11/5 & 11/19
7th Grade Sunday 10/15	8th Grade Sundays 10/1
ALL Kindergarten: May 20, 2018	



The Stations of the Cross on any Friday during Lent at 7 :30PM in the Church.

The Rosary on any Monday evening in October at 7 :30 PM



* Children **MUST** attend in order for the credit to be given to that child. Duplicate attendances are wonderful, however will not count toward the family journey credits.

Just for Adults: (credit given for children if parents attend)

Following Christ: Credit given for whole family if either or both parents participate in Discovering Christ as offered by the parish in the Fall 2017.

Re-discovering Catholicism: J an 16, 17, or 18th 6:30 PM :

Matthew Kelly is a the founder of Dynamic Catholic and a wonderful speaker on the topic of re-connecting to the wonders of our faith.

Finding the Key to Your Child’s Spirituality November 9th 6:30—7:30 PM

Join Sr. Jean to explore and share the many avenues of prayer to help you discover the door to your child’s spirituality.

**** More passport options may be offered throughout the year- follow email announcements.**