

Family Catechesis: No time, No Space, No Participation.....No Excuse

Seasonal Family Activities : Every 6-8 weeks in the Calendar- Parents come to RE for a Family Program in lieu of classes. All Saints Day, Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, Mary, Pentecost

Generic Offerings All Year: Break up by Group: Family Events, Adult Only Events, Grade Level Events, Parish Events and Community Events (when applicable)

Passport to Lent and Holy Week: Specifically geared to drawing Families in- Pair with stickers, stamps, Resurrection Eggs etc.

Advent / Lent to 'Go' - Paired with a parish activity -

- Paired with Fundraisers run by other groups
- Posada
- Tree Lighting

Family Movie Night- meet at the theater or sponsor a 'drive in' in a gym or outdoors.

Attend a play or movie that shows up in your vicinity. With an assignment.

Family Game Nights- Trick or Treat Bingo, Are you Smarter than a 5th Grader? , Jeopardy, Concentration, Holy Word Squares.

Tap into Parish Life: Blessing of Animals, Christmas Concerts/ Sing a Longs, Stations of the Cross, Rosaries, Holy Thursday, Good Friday.

Taking things Home: Take Our Blessed Mother Home:

- Mary Kit
- Divine Mercy Kit
- Come Let Us Adore Him: Adoration Kit

Family Pilgrimages: Report Back with report / photos.

Scavenger Hunts: a photo list, or a reflection list, or a worksheet.

Grade Level Masses:

Ways to take attendance: Sign ins, Turn in cards, Selfies, Reports, Reflection sheets , Bring back something.

Rewards: Saint Cards, Bookmarks, medals, simple freebies.

Other Community resources:

Take advantage of Scout Programs.

Rosary Patches: <https://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/religious-activities/rosary-series>

Marian Clubs / Badges / Groups

Family Accountability: Changing the Culture around Religious Education:

Resources shared in class may be found on the following 2 sites:

<https://www.saintmaryschurch-fishkill.org/religious-education-1>

<https://www.pinterest.com/kdhamilton/>