

St. John the Evangelist

Family Catechesis



A FAMILY OF FAITH

[Here is the webpage with the Parent Meeting PowerPoints](#)

[Calendar](#)

FAMILY SERVICE PROJECT

This month instead of a community meeting we are putting our faith in action through a family service projects.

The lesson is from Matthew 25:31-46 Jesus said, “whatever you do (or don’t do) for the least of these, you do (or don’t do) for me.”

- We are learning to love God through loving other people.
- All people are made in the image and likeness of God.
- All people have a soul and God wants to be in relationship with us now and for eternity.
- We love God and grow in relationship with Him by learning to see and love Him in others, especially the lonely, the hungry, all those in need.

Families are invited to work together.

Project ideas:

- Helping elderly, lonely or sick neighbor or loved one by cooking a meal, cleaning, visiting
- Sending cards to assisted living/nursing home if visiting is not allowed
- Collecting food or volunteer for Foodbank
- Cleaning out your closets and toys to donate good items to Catholic Charities/Family Shelter
- Making/distributing meals for [SHIP](#) in Somerville
- Collect items for [Crisis pregnancy center](#)
- Donating time to clean/organize areas of the church (Sat. Feb 26, 12 – 3:00. [Email](#) if you are interested)

These are only a few ideas – [contact me](#) with questions. Other ideas and location suggestions are on the [website](#)

FEBRUARY LESSONS

LESSON 8: HE'S NOT HERE HE IS RISEN!

[Helpful video](#)

LESSON 9: CHRIST IS RISEN, CHRIST WILL COME AGAIN

[Helpful video](#)

WHAT TO DO:

Lesson 8:

- **ACTIVITY 3:** Salvation is a Process pg 145
- **ACTIVITY 4:** Mardi Gras & Ash Wednesday pg147

Lesson 9:

Story Book Activity:

Activity 4: These Least Brother of Mine page 157

- Read through the passages
- Write in the storybook from your discussion

Record your family service project. Add pictures if possible and personal reflections about the project

Saint of the Month - Learn about St. Brigid of Ireland p. 159

CHOOSE TO DISCUSS:

Lesson 8

- Activity 1 – Family Discussion – Did Jesus Really Die? Pg 139
- Activity 2 – Scripture and Discussion – The Resurrection

Lesson 9

- Activity 1 – Prayer and Discussion – Te Deum
- Activity 2 - Scripture and Discussion – The Ascension
- Activity 3 - Reading and Discussion – Last Day and Last Judgement

GERTRUDE HAWK FUNDRAISER

Thank you for all who are participating in the Gertrude Hawk Easter Candy Sale. Time to start returning the order forms. All Forms should be dropped off to the Parish Center by Sunday

February 27th. Drop the packet through the slot in the door. Or you can set up online ordering through their website <https://fundraising.gertrudehawkcocolates.com/>

LOOKING AHEAD

2/23 First Reconciliation Practice
6:30PM

2/26 First Reconciliation 10AM

3/2 – Ash Wednesday

3/6 – FHC Prep, Confirmation Class

3/7,8 - Parent meeting

3/20 – Confirmation Class

3/27,28,29 - Family Catechesis

PREPARING FOR LENT

Prayer + Fasting + Almsgiving

Lent will be here before you know it. Any thoughts on how to make Lent meaningful this year?

Idea's to consider:

- [Bible in a Year Podcast](#)
- Watch [The Chosen](#)
- Prayer Apps – [Hallow](#) , [Amen](#)
- Weekly Stations of the Cross
- Family Service project for less fortunate
- Daily Lenten reflection from:
 - [Ascension Press](#)

- [Dynamic Catholic](#)
- [St Paul Center](#)

- 15 minute challenge – did you know taking 15 minutes a day to be with God is merely 1% of your day? Consider offering God 15 minutes of your time each day to grow closer to Him this Lent through scripture, silence, adoration, rosary, or just reading daily from your Family of Faith books.