

Faith Formation Commission Mission Statement

Recognizing our need to continue our formation as mature Catholics, the Faith Formation Commission will:

- Develop a clear understanding of the fundamental mission of the Church in handing on the faith.
- Analyze the social, cultural, ethnic and religious situations in the parish.
- Assess and evaluate the catechetical needs and available resources of the parish.
- Support a variety of catechetical approaches in the yearly cycle of parish life and communicate these to the parish.

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ADULT FAITH FORMATION CATALOG



Classes & Events
Church of St. Patrick
2010-2011

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION DATES

GRADES 1-9

- Wed, Sep 22 - Classes begin at 4:45/7:00pm
- Wed, Sep 29 - Classes (Confirmation Parent Orientation)
- Wed, Oct 6 - Classes
- Wed, Oct 13 - Classes (Family Dinner)
- Wed, Oct 20 - MEA-**No** Classes
- Wed, Oct 27 - Classes (Mini-Retreat Night for 7th-9th, dinner at 6pm)
- Wed, Nov 3 - Classes
- Wed, Nov 10 - Classes
- Wed, Nov 17 - Classes (Family Dinner)
- Wed, Nov 24 - Thanksgiving-**No** Classes
- Wed, Dec 1 - Classes
- Wed, Dec 8 - Classes-Immaculate Conception-Mass at 7pm
- Wed, Dec 15 - Classes - Christmas Pageant
- Sun, Dec 22 - Christmas Break-**No** Classes
- Wed, Dec 29 - Christmas Break-**No** Classes
- Wed, Jan 6 - Classes (also 7th-8th grade Parent Night)
- Wed, Jan 12 - Classes
- Wed, Jan 19 - Classes (Family Dinner) (8th grade Bob Bartlett)
- Wed, Jan 26 - Classes (8th grade Bob Bartlett)
- Wed, Feb 2 - Classes
- Wed, Feb 9 - Classes
- Wed, Feb 16 - K-6 Winter Break-**No** Classes (Grade 7-9 Mini-Retreat)
- Wed, Feb 23 - Classes (Family Dinner)
- Wed, Mar 2 - Classes
- Wed, Mar 9 - Classes-Ash Wednesday services
- Wed, Mar 16 - Classes
- Wed, Mar 23 - Classes-(Family Dinner) (David Rinaldi Grades 7-9)
- Wed, Mar 30 - Edina Spring Break-**No** Classes
- Wed, Apr 6 - Classes
- Wed, Apr 13 - Classes-Communal Penance
- Wed, Apr 20 - Classes (Holy Week)
- Wed, Apr 27 - Classes (Family Dinner)
- Tue, May 4 - Classes Grade 9 only
- Sat, May 9 - Confirmation-Basilica of St. Mary

PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN

Sundays at 11am beginning September 26 and running through April 2010. A detailed list of dates will be provided.

Dear Parishioner,

Welcome to a presentation of another year in our terrific Faith Formation program. We try to reach everyone in the parish in a way I have never experienced in all of my parish ministry until coming here. Thanks to the staff and commission members for their hard work and creativity. We all have the wonderful possibility of faith enrichment and formation.

Many of us lived in a time when Adult Education seemed almost unnecessary. Once we were out of high school we were kind of "launched" as responsible adults in the Church. Today we find that that is simply not true. We all need throughout our adult lives to be renewed in our understanding and lifelong growth in the faith.

There was a time too when religious ed was an hour a week, K through 12th grade. You'll see from the enclosed we go far beyond that here at St. Patrick's. Our young people need to be nurtured in the faith in many ways and with great creativity.

I invite everyone to use these faith formation opportunities across the board to be nurtured in our privilege and task of following our Lord Jesus.

Peace,



Pastor



Church of St. Patrick

Our MISSION is to build on the warmth and spirit of community established by the Irish Catholic immigrants who founded the parish in 1857 with our own commitment to be a community of faith centered on the Gospel of Jesus Christ by:

- being a welcoming community,
- providing a faith-filled worship focused on the celebration of Eucharist,
- recognizing our need to continue our formation as Christians,
- providing an environment for holiness in our homes,
- striving to acknowledge our blessings through our generosity.



SENIOR HIGH YOUTH MINISTRY GRADES 10 – 12

Compass

Dates and Time: Mondays, 7:30-9:00pm

Description: Talk about a variety of issues and experiences with friends and young adult leaders. Grow in faith and discover how a relationship with Christ can keep you on course. Friends are placed in same sex groups and maintain the same group and leaders throughout high school.

Fee: \$40 program fee covers weekly speakers and leadership training.

Information: Contact Nicole Stecklein at 952-941-3164, x118 or nstecklein@stpatrick-edina.org

Navigators

Dates and Time: Wednesdays, 6:45-8:45pm

Description: Navigator Leaders organize and lead junior high events and help our 6th-9th grade students strengthen their values and grow in faith. Being a Navigator Leader is a big commitment, a lot of work, and a ton of fun. Requirements for Nav Leaders: one-on-one interview with Johnny or Nicole; 80% attendance at all Nav events; participation in St. Pat's Compass program or other formal faith formation.

Information: Contact Nicole Stecklein at 952-941-3164, x118 or nstecklein@stpatrick-edina.org

Other Opportunities for involvement

Navigator Band – Wednesdays, 7:15-8:45pm. The Navigator Band brings fun and engaging worship music to our faith formation program and Sunday liturgies. The Band plays at Wednesday night prayer services, retreats, and monthly Masses. We are in great need of musical talent. If you play an instrument or sing, please consider this important ministry.

Catechists – Wednesday afternoons or evenings. Teach a weekly elementary or Jr. High faith formation class. Volunteer with a friend!

Liturgical Ministries – High school youth are strongly encouraged to volunteer as a Lector (reader), Usher at Mass (pass collection baskets), or Eucharistic Minister (distribute communion). Training provided.

Information: Contact Nicole Stecklein at 952-941-3164, x118 or nstecklein@stpatrick-edina.org



FOR PARENTS OF CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

It's a Family Affair

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 29, 7:00-8:30pm

Description: This is a very important year in your teen's faith development. Learn about the process, meet your child's catechist and spend some quality time together. In other words, know what to expect because this year will be more involved than the last eight years have been.

Facilitators: Chery Wood

Information: Call Chery Wood at 952-941-3164, x109 or e-mail cwood@stpatrick-edina.org for more information.

Location: Mahon Center

FOR YOUTH, FAMILIES & ADULTS

Night at the Movies with a Social Justice Theme

Dates and Time: 7:00pm on the following dates:

Tuesdays, October 12 and November 9

Thursdays, January 13, February 10, March 10 and April 14

Description: We'll watch a thoughtful movie with an opportunity for discussion following. Popcorn and beverages provided!

Information: Call Cappy Moore at 952-941-3164, x114 or e-mail cmoore@stpatrick-edina.org.

Location: Club Room and Charthouse (from the Parish Office entrance follow the smell of popcorn!)



EVENTS

PARISH FORUMS (All forums include dinner/speaker/dialogue)

What Happened to Civility?

Date and Time: Thursday, September 23, 6:00-8:45pm

Presenter: Fr. Greg Welch

Information: Call Cappy Moore at 952-941-3164, x114 or email cmoore@stpatrick-edina.org with questions.

Location: St. Martin's Hall

The Faces of Poverty

Date and Time: Tuesday, October 19, 6:00-8:45pm

Presenter: Catholic Charities

Information: Call Cappy Moore at 952-941-3164, x114 or email cmoore@stpatrick-edina.org with questions.

Location: St. Martin's Hall

Meet your Local Representatives to Share Common Values

Date and Time: Tuesday, November 16, 6:00-8:45pm

Description: Catholic Advocacy District 41A and 41B

Information: Call Cappy Moore at 952-941-3164, x114 or email cmoore@stpatrick-edina.org with questions.

Location: St. Martin's Hall



CLASSES & SMALL GROUPS

Church History: The Protestant & Catholic Reformation

Date and Time: Thursday evenings October 14–November 18
(6 sessions), 7:00–9:00pm

Description: Please join us as we continue our journey through the history of Christianity. This fall we will focus on the key personalities, events, and movements of the sixteenth century, when calls for reform and the subsequent religious, social, and political turmoil throughout Europe resulted in the total fragmentation of western Christianity. Our examination will include each of the main branches of the Protestant tradition, some of the lesser known “Radical” Reformers, and various responses within Catholicism to the many challenges presented by the Reformation. Our conversation will also touch upon the enduring effects of these 16th-century controversies in the life of today’s Church.

Presenter: Kenneth D. Snyder

Dr. Snyder is the Assistant Professor of Church History and Director of the Master of Arts in Pastoral Ministry degree program at the Saint Paul Seminary School of Divinity. Snyder holds a Ph.D. in Church History from the Catholic University of American in Washington DC.

Fee/Registration: \$40. To register or for more information call Patti Brady at 952-941-3164, x113 or e-mail pbrady@stpatrick-edina.org.

Location: Mahon Center



FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN GRADES 7 – 9

For Parents of 7th & 8th Graders:

How to Talk to Your Kids About Sex and Intimacy

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 5, 7:00–8:30pm

Description: Bob Bartlett, author of *Growing Toward Intimacy*, engages in dialogue with parents about how to help their teens develop healthy and holy relationships.

Presenter: Bob Bartlett is a youth minister, counselor, and frequent speaker to youth and parent groups. He will be working with our eighth graders for three weeks in January. Bob has worked in diocesan offices in Peoria, IL and St. Paul/Minneapolis, and is a graduate of the University of St. Thomas.

Information: Call Chery Wood at 952-941-3164, x109 or e-mail cwood@stpatrick-edina.org for more information.

Location: St. Martin’s Hall

Special Night for Grades 7, 8, 9:

Living Your Faith in the Real World


Date and Time: Wednesday, March 23, 7:00–8:30pm

Description: It’s easy to love God when you’re sitting in church, but how do you live your Catholic faith while you’re walking the school halls? Presenter David Rinaldi encourages and equips young people to place God at the center of their lives and challenges them to share His love with others.

Presenter: David Rinaldi’s powerful presentations have been life-changing moments for thousands of teens and parents across the country. With 20 years of experience working with youth, David communicates the love of God and the truths of the Catholic faith with a boldness and humor that teens and adults alike can appreciate.

Information: Call Chery Wood at 952-941-3164, x109 or e-mail cwood@stpatrick-edina.org for more information.

Location: Mahon Center



FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN
PREPARING FOR THE SACRAMENTS OF
RECONCILIATION & EUCHARIST

Parent Meeting – Reconciliation Preparation

Date and Time: Wednesday, October 6, 5:00pm

Description: Parents and their children who will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation will gather to “get ready” to celebrate the sacrament.

Facilitators: Brenda McLennan

Parent/Child Evening – Reconciliation

Date and Time: Thursday, November 11, 6:30-8:30pm

Facilitators: Brenda McLennan

Celebration of First Reconciliation

Date and Time: Saturday, November 13, 10:00am

Parent Meeting – First Communion Preparation

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 12, 5:00pm

Facilitators: Brenda McLennan

Parent/Child Evening – First Communion

Date and Time: To Be Announced

Description: Parents and their children who will be receiving the Sacrament of Eucharist will gather for dinner followed by several experiences designed for families.

Facilitators: Brenda McLennan



CLASSES & SMALL GROUPS

Fall *JustFAITH* Small Group Module:

Prison Reform: Church of the Second Chance

Date and Time: Seven weekly sessions beginning the first week of October. Choose either: Sunday evenings 6:30-9:00pm or Wednesday mornings 9:15-11:45am.

Description: Through reading, dialogue, active listening, videos, short research projects and guest speakers, participants will focus on: factual background for prison reform; identifying common myths and misconceptions about prisons; and showing the power of centering prayer and the Christian message of reconciliation and redemption.

Fee/Registration: Cost is \$25 (scholarships available). Limited to 10 people. Call Cappy Moore at 952-941-3164, x114 or email cmoore@stpatrick-edina.org for more information or to register.

Location: St. John’s Room

Winter *JustFAITH* Small Group Module:

Crossing Borders: Migration, Theology & the Human Journey

Date and Time: Weekly sessions beginning the first week of February through the second week of April. Two sessions to choose from: Sunday evenings 6:30-9:00pm or Wednesday mornings 9:15-11:45am.

Description: Finding common ground amidst the fractious debate is not easy. *Crossing Borders* will provide participants a chance to find common ground; discover more about themselves, God and the millions of people who are on the move in every part of the world; offer the human face of the migrant; and explore Eucharist and a theology of migration.

Fee/Registration: Cost is \$40 and includes books and resources (scholarships available). Limited to 10 people. Call Cappy Moore at 952-941-3164, x114 or email cmoore@stpatrick-edina.org for more information or to register.

Location: St. John’s Room



CLASSES & SMALL GROUPS

Young Married's Group

Date and Time: Monthly meetings – times and dates to be determined.

Description: Small group get-togethers to socialize and explore a topic of faith. All are welcome! (If you consider yourselves a young married couple, then we do too!)

Information: Contact Jen Musolf at jimusolf@stthomas.edu or 952-831-3288.

Location: Parish House

Becoming a Catholic – RCIA

Date and Time: Small group sessions start Wednesday, October 13 from 7:00–8:30pm.

Description: RCIA is the process for adults who want to become Catholic, and prepare for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, or Eucharist.

Facilitator: Patti Brady

Registration: Please call Patti Brady at 952-941-3164, x113 for more information or to register.

Location: St. John's Room



FOR LENT

Small Group Series:

What Are You Doing for Lent?

Date and Time: Tuesday afternoons, March 1–April 19, 1:00-2:30pm

Description: Join fellow parishioners for a seven week virtual retreat with Henri Nouwen.

Facilitator: Patti Brady

Information: Please call Patti Brady at 952-941-3164, x113 or email pbrady@stpatrick-edina.org for more information or to register.

Lenten Retreat: Praying Lent with Ignatius Loyola

Date and Time: Friday, April 8, 7:00-9:00pm and Saturday, April 9, 9:00am-4:00pm

Facilitator: Fr. John P. Mossi, SJ

A popular retreat director and teacher, Fr. Mossi is currently Assistant Director for Benefactor Relations for the California Province of the Jesuits. He taught at Gonzaga University, 1991-2008 and served on the staff of the Jesuit Retreat House in Los Altos, CA. Author of *Bread Blessed and Broken*, *Modern Liturgy Handbook* and *Prayers from the Cross*, he received a Doctor of Ministry from the Catholic University of America.

Fee/Registration: Both Friday and Saturday – \$75; Friday only – \$25; Saturday only – \$50. Light breakfast and box lunch included on Saturday. For more information or to register, call the Loyola Spirituality Center at 651-641-0008, or go to www.loyolaspiritualitycenter.org.

Location: Mahon Center

Lenten Soup Suppers

Date and Time: Fridays, March 11, 18, 25 and April 15, 5:45pm (following the 5:15pm Stations of the Cross)

Description: Enjoy a warm bowl of soup, bread, and a good speaker and discussion.

Information: Call Cappy Moore at 952-941-3164, x114 or email cmoore@stpatrick-edina.org with questions.

Location: Check the weekly parish bulletin