

August 22, 2024

Dear Parents of students grades 7-11,

Wednesday, September 4 is the family kick off for our evening Faith Formation Classes. Parents, a parent is expected to attend with your student(s) at 6PM in the parish center. We will have pizza and share information about this upcoming year!

Faith Formation will begin at **6:00 pm** on Wednesdays. Students are expected to be here at that time. We will eat together and have time for large group activities before we break into small groups. We will be done at **8:00 pm**.

Adoration will be happening again during our class time in the church beginning on September 11. Parents, and others, are encouraged to come to Adoration any time from 5:30 to 8:00pm until we are done with class. God wants to spend time with us. I hope that we will take the time to spend with Him. Our classes will have opportunities to go to Adoration during our evenings as well. If you would like to commit to coming for an hour let Deacon John know in the office.

My hope is to have the youth room open earlier on Wednesdays. I will share about this more on September 4. Parents, once your student is here they will not be allowed to leave the building without you contacting me with your permission. We have a nice youth room with tables to play games, do homework or just hang out. For this to happen your help is needed. Our plan is to have adults help supervise, serve dinner and do dishes.

Parents, your children are amazing young people. Your love and concern for your family is felt and seen. You are the first and most important teachers to your children. I pray that you will lead and encourage your children in their faith journey. Your example of this is one of the most important gifts you can share with your family. Life here on earth is only a small part of our forever. My prayer is that we can all work towards bringing each other to heaven.

There is a \$20 fee per student which covers a portion of the expense of educational materials. If you are unable to afford the registration fee, please talk to me, your children will not be turned away! Return the registration form(s) and fee by September 4. You may drop forms off in the collection basket at Mass, put them in the mail: attention Annette, or bring them to the office between 9:00 and 4:00 Monday through Thursday. All students must be registered even if they have attended in previous years, updated registration forms need to be on file every year.

St. Peter's and St. Mary's is working to get Flocknote up and running and this will replace The Remind app, which we have been using the past few years. This will be further explained on Wednesday, September 4. Bring your cell phones.

If your family is not officially registered with St. Peter's or St. Mary's, please call or stop by and we will help you register.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please stop by and see me or Father Joe.

I am excited to start the new school year with all of you!

In the peace of Christ,

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

Grades 6-12 DCYC (Diocese of Crookston Youth Conference)

Sunday, September 29 from 10 am to 5:30 pm.

Sanford Center in Bemidji

Breakout sessions for middle school students, high school students and adults.

More information to come!!!