

Faith Formation Program Schedule 2021-22

St. John the Baptist Parish (August 5, 2021)

Schedule of Required Faith Formation Sessions and Events: (unless marked with ** to indicate Sacrament prep only) Note:

any additional dates to the schedule will be communicated closer to the date.

****Please note the importance of beginning all our Faith Formation sessions with attending 8:30 am mass.*

- September 19:** First Session and Catechist Recognition, 8:30-10:45 AM
Commissioning Ceremony
Speaker: Susan Stabile: Having returned to Catholicism after practicing Buddhism, she continues to incorporate helpful elements of Buddhist meditation into her Christian prayer.
Breaking Bread: Hot dogs, chips, cookie
SET UP RUMMAGE SALE AFTER BREAKING BREAD
- October 3:** Second Session, 8:30-10:45 AM
Speaker: Kateri Mancini, Catholic Charities, "Racial Tensions and Catholic Social Teaching"
Breaking Bread:
- October 17:** Third Session, 8:30-10:45 AM
Speaker: Kevin Kluesner, Retired Financial Advisor, St. Joseph City Council Member: Topic is "How to financially prepare for and enjoy retirement."
Breaking Bread:
- October 31:** Fourth Session, 8:30-10:45 AM
Speaker: Memorial Mass and All Saint's Day Program
Reception after mass by Parish Life--NO Breaking Bread
- November 21:** Fifth Session, 8:30-10:45 AM
(Collect Toys for Tots/ Money for Food Donations--due today)
Speaker: Sue Hanks: Catholic Charities Emergency Services discussing the needs in the area
Breaking Bread:
- ADVENT: Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19:** Grades 9 and 10 responsible for Lighting Advent Wreath Before Church and Meaning of Each Candle
- December 5:** Sixth Session, 8:30-10:45 AM (Tying Blankets for donating)
NO Speaker: Tying Blankets during Faith Formation
Breaking Bread:

December 18: Parish Reconciliation and **First Reconciliation, 2:00 PM

December 19: Seventh Session, 8:30-10:45 AM

***Re-enactment of the Christmas Story at the Parish Center 10:15 in Large Hall

Speaker:

Breaking Bread: Therese Wallner, retired mental health RN,
"Dealing with Anxiety, Loneliness, and Stress during the Holidays"

December 24: 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass--NOTE change in time

(Children's Homily: children asked to come and sit on the steps at the Abbey for the homily; Candy Canes)

January 3: Epiphany: Three Kings (3 volunteers from Confirmation class)

January 9: Eighth Session, 8:30-10:45 AM

Speaker: Linda Hemmesch, Volunteer Coordinator at Assumption Community in Cold Spring will explain the levels of care offered there and volunteer opportunities available

Breaking Bread:

January 23: Ninth Session, 8:30-10:45 AM

Speaker: Deb Klaverkamp, Social Worker through CentraCare, "Protecting your Identity, Health Care Directives, and Community Resources for Seniors"

Breaking Bread:

February 6: Tenth Session, 8:30-10:45 AM

Speaker: Sr. Laura Suhr, O.S.B., "A Benedictine Sisters Journey to Final Profession"

Breaking Bread:

February 12: Saturday: Senior Citizen Bags--Parish Life gathers supplies, students grades 5-6-7-8-9-10 pack bags/deliver

February 27: Eleventh Session, 8:30-10:45 AM

Speaker: Br. David Paul Lange, O.S.B, "Design of the Abbey Church"

Breaking Bread: Mardi Gra Meal

March 2: Ash Wednesday

March 4: Fish Fry--remember to sign up to volunteer

March 6: First Sunday Lent: Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Collection, Confirmation Reader:

March 11: Fish Fry--remember to sign up to volunteer

March 13: Second Sunday of Lent, Catholic Relief Services Bowl Collection, Confirmation Reader:

Twelfth Session, 8:30-10:45 AM

Speaker: Nola Varilek, Community Outreach for CentraCare Home Health and Hospice, on Hospice and Palliative Care

Breaking Bread:

March 27: Fourth Sunday of Lent, Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Collection Confirmation Reader:

Thirteenth Session, 8:30-10:45 AM

Speaker: Lisha Chaudhary, Volunteer Coordinator from Hands Across the World

Breaking Bread:

April 2: Parish Reconciliation, 2:00 PM (Alternate First Reconciliation) in St. Joseph

April 10: Palm Sunday

Fourteenth Session, 8:30-10:45 AM

Speaker: Jim Wenner, Wenner Funeral Home, the latest on funeral planning and cremation (tentative)

Breaking Bread:

April 14: Holy Thursday: Confirmation Students and Sponsors wash each other's feet, 7:00 PM

April 15: Good Friday, 7:00 PM

April 16: Easter Vigil: 7:00 PM (Outside?)

April 24: Fifteenth Session, 8:30-10:45 AM

Speaker: Christine Luna Munger, fellow parishioner and Director of the House of Prayer, "Discernment"

Breaking Bread: Grill hotdogs/hamburgers,
SET-UP RUMMAGE SALE AFTER BREAKING BREAD

May 15: First Communion Take Home Bags, Pick up at Parish Center before/after mass

June 5: First Communion, outdoor mass, 8:30AM, Reception after

****Saturday, May 14 Time TBD:** Confirmation Rehearsal

****Sunday, May 15:** Confirmation, Church of St. Joseph, 2:00PM

****See list of prayers to memorize per grade on back

| Grade | Prayers to Know |
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| Preschool | Sign of the Cross Prayer Before Meals Guardian Angel Prayer |
| K-1 | Hail Mary Our Father Glory Be |
| 2 | Act of Contrition Mass Responses Ten Commandments |
| 3-4 | Hail Holy Queen Apostle's Creed |
| 5-6-7-8 | Corporal Works of Mercy Spiritual Works of Mercy |
| 9-10 | Review ALL: Must be memorized by Confirmation |