

2018-2019 Faith Formation Program Overview—Grades Pre-K-9



MONTH	JOYFUL SUNDAYS Pre-K-6 Twice a month	Grades 7/8/9 CONFIRMATION Twice a month (Parent/Sponsor in bold for Gr8-9)	Wednesday 1-4—4:30-5:45pm 5-6—6:00-7:30pm (Encounter Club in bold) Weekly	Text @99a9k9 to81010 Sign up for text messages or emails at Remind.com. You will receive time sensitive messages (or emails if you prefer) about upcoming events, class announcements and cancellations.
September	9, 16, 30	9, 16, 30	5, 12, 19	Curriculum Nights 5 & 9 No Class 23, 26*
October	14, 21	14, 21	3, 10, 17, 24	Columbus Day 8 No class 7, 28, 31
November	4, 18	4, 18	7, 14, 28	No class 11, 21
December	2, 16	2, 16	5, 12, 19	No class 3, No class 9 (St. Nick), 26
2019	JS—Pre-K-6	G7/8/9	WG1-4 AND WG5-6	Christmas Break DEC 23-JAN 4
January	6, 13	6, 13, 27	9, 16, 30	MLK 21 No class 20, 23*
February	3, 10	10	6, 13, 27	Pres. Day 18/ No class 17, 20, 24
March	3, 17	3, 17 (Gr. 7 only)	6, 13, 20	Ash Wednesday 6 No class 10, 27 Spring Break MAR 25-29
April	7, 14, 28	7, 14, 28 (Gr. 7 only)	3, 10, 24	No Class 17

First Reconciliation—December 8 at 10am*

First Communion—May 5 at 1pm*

Confirmation Retreat & Rehearsal—TBD

Confirmation Mass—TBD

All families will receive important information about their child's class at Parent/Curriculum Meetings on September 5 and 9. See Sacrament calendars for more important dates!

Catechist Pre-Reqs—AUG 6-8, TBD

*Catechist In-Service—SEPT 26, JAN 23, FEB 20

Catechist POTLUCK Volunteer/Training Meeting—AUG 26 from 11:30am (Pancake Breakfast) to 2:30pm

Wednesday Family Days—SEPT 30, NOV 18, MAR 17

Donut Sundays: 9/23, 10/28, 12/9 (St. Nick), 1/27, 2/24, 3/31, 5/19

Encounter Club for Gr. 5-6—OCT 10, NOV 14, DEC 12, FEB 6

Jumpstart for Grades 3-5: 10/19, 11/9, 1/11, 2/15, 3/15, 4/26

Eucharistic Adoration during Wed. classes: 9/12, 10/10, 11/14, 12/12, 1/30, 2/27, 3/20 Grades 1-4 at 5:30pm—Grades 5-6 at 7:00pm

Go to the Faith Formation calendar for details and times!

Liturgy of the Word for Children (LOWC)

September	9, 16, 23, 30
October	14, 21, 28
November	4, 11, 18
December	2, 9, 16
January	6, 13, 27
February	3, 10, 24
March	3, 10, 17
April	7, 14, 28
May	5, 12, 19
June	Happy
July	Summer!

Other Program/Calendar Dates

Pet Blessing—OCT 6
Life Chain—OCT 7
St. Gall Feast Day—OCT 16 'Bring a Bear' Event
Heaven's Children Mass—OCT 22
Feed My Starving Children—OCT 27
Chastity and Safe Environment Weeks—NOV 4, 7
Thanksgiving NOV 22 Advent Begins—DEC 2
Sign up to Pray Rosary—12 hr. Vigil to Protect Life—DEC 8
Breakfast with St. Nick—DEC 9
St. Gall FF Advent Celebration
Anticipating Christmas!—DEC 14
Christmas Break—DEC 23—JAN 4
Lent begins **Ash Wednesday—MAR 6**
Spring Break—MAR 25-29
Living Stations Rehearsal—APR 15
Triduum begins—APR 18 **Good Friday—APR 19**
Living Stations—7:30pm in Church
Easter—APR 21
May Crowning & Mother's Day —MAY 12 after 8:30am Mass
Memorial Day—MAY 27
Grades 8 & 12 Graduation Blessing Mass—June 2 at 10:30am Mass
VBS—June 10-14
Father's Day—June 16



As of 9/13/2018

Other Important Dates!

2018

August 6—Catechist and the Learner Catechist Class
6:00-8:00pm
August 7—Tools of the Catechist Class
6:00-8:00pm
August 8—Catholic Culture Catechist class
6:00-8:00pm
August 24—FF Kickoff and Fun Fair from 5-9pm—RSVP!
August 26—Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser St. Vincent de Paul
8:30am-12pm (Venturing Crew)
August 26—Catechist/Volunteer Meeting & Potluck
11:30am-2:30pm
Pancake Breakfast with meeting following

September 12—Eucharistic Adoration – 5:30-5:45, 7:00-7:30pm
September 15/16—Catechetical Weekend - 4:30pm/8:30am
Masses, Commissioning/Blessing/Gift (Thank You!)
September 16—First Reconciliation Retreat 10:30am Mass-2pm
September 23—Donut Sunday
September 26—Catechist In-Service
St. Gall 18-19 Program Overview—Enlisting Witnesses
5:30-7:30pm (No classes)
September 30—Wednesday Family Day 12-3pm

October 6 – Pet Blessing – 11:00am – Outside Church
October 7 – Life Chain-Rosary and Adoration – 1:30-3:30pm
Church and Rt. 47/Hughes Rd
October 10 – Eucharistic Adoration 5:30-5:45pm, 7:00-7:30pm
October 16—Feast Day of St. Gall—
'Bring a Bear' event begins October 10/14
October 27—Feed My Starving Children—11:30am-1:30pm
Register at volunteer/fmsc.org—St. Gall Faith Group—Aurora
October 28—Donut Sunday

November 1—All Saints Day – (**Holy Day of Obligation**)
November 2—BINGO & GAME NIGHT! - SPAGHETTI!
5-9pm, bring a \$5 for food and a \$5 prize!
November 14—Eucharistic Adoration 5:30-5:45pm, 7:00-7:30pm
November 18—Wednesday Family Day 12-3pm
November 21/25—No classes -- Thanksgiving
Nov 24/25 & Dec 1/2 Christmas Giving Tree –
Bring wrapped and tagged gifts by December 9

December 2—Advent begins
December 8—First Reconciliation
December 8—Immaculate Conception (*Saturday*) –
(**Holy Day of Obligation**) *Anticipatory Mass 12/7*
December 9—Breakfast with St. Nick—8:30am-12:30pm
December 12—Eucharistic Adoration 5:30-5:45pm, 7:00-7:30pm
December 14—FF ADVENT CELEBRATION:
Anticipating Christmas—7-9pm
December 23—January 4 – No classes – Christmas Break
December 24—4pm – Christmas Eve Family Mass
December 25—Christmas (*Sunday*) – (**Holy Day of Obligation**)

December 14

FF ADVENT CELEBRATION:
Anticipating Christmas—7-9pm
Nativity play and Class Presentations



Holy Days of Obligation (HDO)

Holy Days of Obligation are special feasts on which we as Catholics are **seriously obliged**, as on Sundays to attend Mass and to avoid unnecessary work. When a Holy Day falls on a Saturday or Monday, the obligation to attend is generally commuted to Sunday; however it is a good practice to attend Mass nonetheless.

**11/1 All Saints, 12/8 Immaculate Conception,
December 25 Christmas, January 1 Mother of God
Ascension moved to 6/2, 8/15 Assumption**

2019

January 1—Mary, Mother of God (*Sunday*) –
(**Holy Day of Obligation – New Year's Day**)
January 13—First Communion Parent Workshop
—10:30am Mass to 2:00pm
January 23—Catechist In-Service 5:30-7:30pm (**No classes**)
January 27—Donut Sunday
January 30—Eucharistic Adoration 5:30-5:45pm, 7:00-7:30pm

February 20—Catechist In-Service 5:30-7:30pm (**No classes**)*
February 24—Donut Sunday
February 27—Eucharistic Adoration 5:30-5:45pm, 7:00-7:30pm
February 28-March 2 – Here I Am Lord Conference—St. Patrick

March 1 – Grade School Workshop (Grade 6-7) HIAL
March 6—Ash Wednesday
March 10—Turkey Day—TBD
March 15—JumpStart—Fasting Bread
March 15—Stations of the Cross & Soup Supper
March 17—Wednesday Family Day
March 20—Eucharistic Adoration 5:30-5:45pm, 7:00-7:30pm
March 24-29—Spring Break—**No Classes** from March 24-April 6!
March 30/31-April 6/7—Easter Giving Tree – Bring gifts by **April 14**
Stations of the Cross—Soup/Supper: Fridays at 6pm
March 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5, 12

April 14—Palm Sunday
April 18—Triduum begins—Holy Thursday
April 15—Living Stations Rehearsal 6-8pm
April 19— Good Friday, Living Stations – 2:00pm - Church
April 20—Blessing of Easter Baskets—11:00am—Church
April 21—Easter
April 27—First Communion Retreat 10am-2pm
April 28—Easter Egg Hunt with the Knights of Columbus

May 5—First Communion Mass at 1pm
May 12—May Crowning
May 30—Ascension—Celebrated on Sunday May 12

June 2—Graduation Mass for 8th & 12th Grades – 10:30am –
Gifts for 8th and 12th Grade graduates! RSVP
June 9—Pentecost Sunday
June 10-14—Vacation Bible School
June 14—BBQ and Ice Cream Social

August 15 – Assumption of Mary – (**Holy Day of Obligation**)

JUMPSTART

Faith, fun and Games for
Grades 3-5 on Fridays
from 5-6:30pm
**10/19, 11/9, 1/11, 2/15,
3/15, 4/26**

WEDNESDAY

FAMILY DAYS—12-3pm

In addition to classes, students
and their families attend 3 Family
Days!

Sundays after the 10:30am Mass
Classes and their families sit
together in Church and enjoy a
light meal together!

**RSVP for lunch to
FaithFormaiton@stgall.com**

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