# 2023-2024 Faith Formation Program Overview—Pre-K-GRADE 6

Catechetical Sunday 9/17/23

Come to Me, all you who labor and are burdened. Matthew 11:28



			FINAL		
MONTH	<b>WEDNESDAY 1, 2, 3, 4</b> —4:30-5:45pm <b>5, 6</b> —6:00-7:30pm	THURSDAY FAMILY FIRST COMMUNION 6-7:30PM	<b>Text @g2ada8 to 81010</b> Sign up for text messages or emails at Remind.com.		
PARENT MEETINGS DURING FIRST CLASS At CHURCH! / CATECHIST BRUNCH—AUGUST 27 FROM 11:30AM-3:00PM					
	WG1-6	TH-FFC			
September	6, 13, 20	7	Labor Day 4		
October	4, 11, 25	5	Columbus Day 19		
November	1, 8, 15, 29	9	Thanksgiving 23		

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December	6, 13, 20	7	Christmas 24-25
2023	WG2-6	FFC	Christmas Break DEC 19-JAN 1
January	10, 17, 31	4	MLK 15
February	7, 14, 21	1	Ash Wednesday 14 Pres. Day 19
March	6, 13, 20	7	PALM SUNDAY 24 Spring Break—MAR 27-31 EASTER 31

First Reconciliation Family Retreat—SATURDAY, **SEPT 23**—10:00am-12:30pm / First Reconciliation—**DEC 2** at 11:00am

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First Communion Parent Workshop—SUNDAY, JAN 21—11:30am-3:00pm

3, 10, 17

1, 8, 15

First Communion Retreat & Rehearsal—SATURDAY, APR 27 at 10:00am-3:00pm

First Communion Mass—MAY 4 at 11:00am

Catechist In-Service Classes from 6:30-8:00pm: 9/27, 1/24, 2/28

**EGG HUNT 6** 

Memorial Day 27

# **Liturgy of the Word for** Children (LOWC) 10:30am

April

May

Volunteers needed!			
September	10, 17, 24		
October	1, 15, 22, 29		
November	5, 12, 19		
December	3. 10, 17		
January	7, 21, 28		
February	4, 11, 25		
March	10, 17, 24		
April	7, 14, 21, 28		
May	5, 12, 19		
June-August	Happy Summer!		

### **Other Program/Calendar Dates**

Pet Blessing—SEPT 30 Life Chain—OCT 1 St. Gall Feast Day—OCT 16—'Bear Blessings' Heaven's Children Mass-NOV 2 Hot Dogs & Bingo Game Night—NOV 3

Thanksgiving NOV 23 Advent Begins—DEC 3 **Breakfast with St. Nick**—DEC 3 Rosary Vigil for Life—DEC 8

St. Gall FF Anticipating Christmas—Nativity Play DEC 15 from 7-9pm

Christmas Break—DEC 25 - JAN 5

Vigil for Life—JAN 22 Lent begins Ash Wednesday—FEB 14 (5&7pm) Light of the World Retreat—MAR 1-3 **PALM SUNDAY**—MAR 24

Spring Break—MAR 25-29

Living Stations Rehearsal—MAR 25 Triduum begins—MAR 28 Good Friday—MAR 29 Living Stations—7:00pm in Church Easter Basket Blessing—MAR 30 at 10:00

Easter—MAR 31 Egg Hunt—APR 6

May Crowning—MAY 4/5 Mother's Day—MAY 11/12 Pentecost—MAY 19 Memorial Day—MAY 27

Grades 8 & 12 Graduation Blessing Weekend—JUNE 8/9 Masses

Father's Day—JUNE 15/16 VBS—JUNE 10-14

Picnic & Fireworks—JULY 6



As of 9/23/2023 Subject to change

### Saints Parade!

'Guess that Saint'

Grades 1-4—Parade at 4:30pm—NOV 1

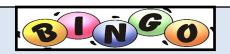
Dress up like your favorite

Saint! Families are invited to



join our celebration in Church. We will guess who you are! Be sure to have 3-5 clues about your Saint to help us.

# November 3 from 6-9pm



# St. Gall Bingo, fun and games!

**HOTDOGS and FRIES! Must pre-order!** 

All are welcome! Dinner is \$5 per person

Dinner begins at 6pm. Bring a 5\$ prize to play bingo at 7pm. Email Donna Doherty at donna@stgall.com to register or get more information! Volunteers are needed!

# December 15 from 7-9pm Anticipating Christmas St. Gall Nativity Play

Join us for Cookies and Hot Chocolate after the play!

Want to be a part of the play? Contact Mrs. Doherty!



**During Classes once a Month:** Wednesdays at 4:30 & 6:00pm **Every week:** 

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** 

Thursdays 2pm-7pm

Visit Jesus this week as a family. Put it on the calendar even if you can only stop in for 15 minutes!

Talk to Jesus, pray and listen in silence.



Faith formation is a life-long process that requires the experience and knowledge of the Sacraments including the regular reception of the Eucharist at weekly Mass and at least yearly Reconciliation. Students have the opportunity to attend Reconciliation during Advent and Lent in classes.

# PICK FOUR A MONTH FOR YOUR FAITH LIFE! WASS EUCHARISTIC ADDRATION RECONCILIATION

Devotions like the rosary and Eucharistic Adoration are important additions to prayer as a family at breakfast and dinner time. A faith-filled home is a wonderful place to be!

### LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS



### SAVE THE DATE!

St. Gall parishioners and students bring Jesus journey to the cross to life! This is a beautiful prayerful experience.

Email donna@stgall.com for more information!

Living Stations, Good Friday
3/31 at 7pm



# <u>Holy Days of Obligation (HDO)</u>

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.

August 15—Mary's Assumption November 1—All Saints December 8—Mary's Immaculate Conception December 25—Christmas

## **CATECHETICAL STAFF**

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### DIR. OF YOUTH MINISTRY

GRADES 7-8, Sacrament of Confirmation & Youth Ministry