Faith Formation Calendar 2023-2024

Mission: To teach Christ and be Christ to others.

Vision: To help parents be the primary educators of their children by helping them review their student's work and accompany them every weekend in the celebration of the Holy Mass, the other Sacraments, Christian service and the study of our Catholic faith.

*In case of inclement weather, class cancellations will correspond with Goodhue Public School decisions. Any other changes will be communicated through email and Flocknote.

Grades 1-6 class schedule—Wednesdays from 2:15-3:30 pm at Holy Trinity:

2:15-2:20: Students arrive and sit in their designated pews while catechists take attendance.

2:20-2:30: Fr. McCabe leads prayer that parallels the Liturgy of the Word (the first part of the Mass), helping the students become familiar with Mass prayers, but without all the readings and only a short reflection. Maria Schultz will call parents whose students are not present and have not informed parish office of absence.

2:30-3:30: Catechists teach the lesson for the day and dismiss students after a short prayer at 3:30 pm.

Grades 7-10 class schedule—Wednesdays from 7:25-8:35 pm at Holy Trinity:

7:25 – 7:30 Class attendance/review. Maria Schultz will call parents whose students are not present and have not informed parish office of absence.

7:30 – 8:20 Catechists teach lesson for the day.

8:20 – 8:35 Students gather in church for prayer. Fr. McCabe will lead prayer that parallels the Liturgy of the Word.

This year Catholic students in 9-12 grades will be invited to be confirmed in May 2024, but must attend Holy Mass every weekend (except emergencies) and meet required deadlines with regard to Confirmation sponsor form, service hours form and chosen saint name and report.

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Wed. Sept. 13: First Class (All parents are invited to join their students in Church for the first 30 minutes to review the year. Then students will go to their classrooms.)

Wed., Sept. 20: Class

Sat., Sept. 23 – NET Retreat for grades 7-8-9-10 from 12:30-8:00 pm

Wed., Sept. 27: Class

Wed., Oct. 4: Class

Wed., Oct. 11: Class

Wed., Oct. 18: No Class for both groups (MEA—no school at Goodhue Schools Thurs.-Fri., Oct. 19-20)

Wed., Oct. 25: Class

Saturday, October 28: All Saints Party at Holy Trinity

Wed., Nov. 1: Class- November 1: All Saints Day, a Holy Day of Obligation

Wed., Nov. 8: Class - Personal Safety lessons will be taught to all grades

Wed., Nov. 15: Class

Wed., Nov. 22: No Class – Thanksgiving (no school at Goodhue Schools Wed.-Fri., Nov. 22-24)

Wed., Nov. 29: Class

(Sunday, December 3: First Sunday of Advent)

Wed., Dec. 6: Class (Advent) (Confessions for grades 3-6 - 2:30-3:30 pm) (Confessions for grade 10 - 7:30-8:10 pm)

(Friday, December 8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, holy day of obligation. See Sunday bulletin or HT website for Mass times)

Wed., Dec. 13: Class (Advent)

Sunday, December 17 (tentative date): Christmas Play at St. Columbkill after 10:30 am Mass

Wed., Dec. 20: Class (Advent)

Wed., Dec. 27: No class - Christmas (No school for Goodhue Schools Fri., Dec. 22-Mon., Jan 1, 2024)

Wed., Jan. 3: Class

Wed., Jan. 10: Class

Wed., Jan. 17: Class

Wed., Jan. 24: Class

Saturday, January 27: First Confession Workshop/First Confession, 9:00-11:00 am at Holy Trinity

Wed., Jan. 31: Class

Wed., Feb. 7: Class

Wed., Feb. 14: Class (Lent) Ash Wednesday: Grades 1-6 Class begins at 2:15 pm and Mass is at 2:30 pm. Grades 7-10

Class begins at 7:25 pm and Mass is at 8:15 pm. All are invited to participate with the students at the Masses.

Wed., Feb. 21: Class (Lent)

Wed., Feb. 28: Class (Lent)

Wed., March 6: Class (Lent)

Wed., March 13: Class (Lent)

Wed., March 20: Class (Lent)

Wed., March 27: No Class - Holy Week

(Easter Sunday, March 31)

Wed., April 3: Class

Wed., April 10: Class

Sat., April 13: Tentative Confirmation Retreat – 1:00-7:00PM at Holy Trinity

Tuesday, April 16: First Communion parent/student meeting 5:30-6:45 pm at Holy Trinity

Wed., April 17: Class

Wed., April 24: Class

Saturday, April 27: First Communion rehearsal/Confession from 9:00-11:00 am at St. Columbkill

*First Communion: Sunday, April 28, 2024 at 10:30 am at St. Columbkill

Wed., May 1: Class- Last class for all grades. (May Crowning practice)

*Confirmation: Saturday, May 4, 2024 - 10:00 am at the Cathedral of Saint Paul in Saint Paul

Sat./Sun., May 4/5: May Crowning at all weekend Masses with First Communicants and Confirmation students

Sun., May 12, 2024 – Welcome Mass for newly Confirmed at 10:30 am at St. Columbkill

Elective special youth and family faith events:

Sun., Jan. 28, 2024 – K of C Family Bowling at Pine Island

Sun., Feb. 11, 2024 - Mardi Gras - 12Noon-3:00 pm