

Each section begins and ends with an opening large group session in the parish hall. Then for five weeks, small groups gather together.

Section Three: Discipleship

Beginning sessions: Sunday, October 3 6:30 – 8 p.m.

OR Monday, Oct. 4, 9:30 –11a.m.or 6:30- 8 p.m.

Closing sessions: November 14-15 (same time slots)

Section Four: Witness

Opening sessions: February 13-14 (same time slots)

Closing sessions: March 27-28 (Same time slots)

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Watch the bulletin for
**Christ Renews
His Parish
Retreats**
for men and women.

Last two weekends in
September
and

Last two weekends in
February



**Adult Faith Formation
Opportunities:
Building a Relationship
With Jesus**

On a Journey Together Dates

Bishop Pates has been invited the entire diocese to participate in a process of renewal and evangelization entitled, “*On a Journey Together.*”

This process is designed for small groups to gather at convenient times and locations. Some of the groups gather here at the parish while others gather in the homes of some of the members of our faith community, while others may seek out locations that seem more convenient (perhaps a library or local coffee shop). It is our hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity.

While engaging “*On a Journey Together*, you will have the opportunity to reflect on Sacred Scripture, spend time with teachings about the Church, and contemplate our role as members of the Body of Christ and citizens of the world.

You might be asking yourself, “What is in it for me?” Here are but a few of the advantages you might find for yourself:

Making time for adult conversation

Getting to know more people in the parish

Continuing to grow in relationship with Christ

Developing or deepening a greater sense of community with your parish family

Taking time to consider some of the teachings of the Church

Session One was entitled *Awakening*

Session Two was entitled *Call to Discipleship*

(It is unnecessary to have participated in one and two to begin the process.)

Session Three is entitled *Discipleship*

Session Four is entitled *Witness*



***A Quick Journey
Through The Bible***
**The Greatest Adventure in
8 sessions**



Do you want to read the Bible, but don't know how to begin?
Has your Bible been collecting dust? The Bible is more than a book; it is the incredible story of salvation history - God's glorious plan for leading his people.

The Bible is not just any story—it is YOUR story. Do you want to discover how to read it?

Have you ever wanted to read the Bible, but stopped in frustration or confusion?

- Come learn the riches of the “greatest story ever told”.
- Make reading the Bible easy and exciting.
- Learn the major people, places, event, and themes of the Scripture.
- Discover God's plan for your life as you discover his amazing story.

A Quick Journey Through The Bible will be offered
Mondays/Tuesdays 9:30 – 11 a.m. and 6:30 – 8 p.m.
East Meeting Room – Max 40 people each session
September 13-14, 20-21, 27-28
October 25-26
November 8-9, 22-23, 29-30
December 6-7

In January, we will evaluate and begin the 24-week *Journey through the Bible* and possibly begin another *Quick Journey*.

Generations of Faith Festivals

Centerpieces for Faith Experiences.

Church festivals shape our parish community and embody the story, beliefs, and practices of the Catholic faith. In celebrating and studying at these festivals, we **grow in knowledge** of our faith, **form community**, and are **empowered to transform** ourselves and others through discipleship.



What happens at a Faith Festival?

1. **We all eat together.** Not a potluck, no cooking, or serving. Just a little clean up.
2. **Opening all ages experience:** Introduction to the topic to be discussed by all ages using prayer, film, stories, activities or other ways.
3. **Split into age-specific or event-centered activities:** Sometimes we break into age-groups, sometimes we stay in a large group, sometimes we just break into mixed age groups.
4. **Whole group sharing experience:** The different groups come back together to share their experience and receive Home Kits to continue to learning at home in the domestic church.

Upcoming Faith Festivals

Festivals are offered two different times:

Wednesday evening or Sunday evening from 6-8 p.m.
Our theme this year is **Social Justice**.

October 6 & 10:

Social Justice in Scripture, Tradition and Doctrine
with Rev. Jim Laurenzo

December 1 & 5:

Rights and Responsibilities

with the eighth grade students both
school and WFF



January 19 & 23:

Solidarity

Presenters TBA

April 3 & 6:

Option for the Poor

with Dr. Tom Neal and Adam Storey

MINI-RETREATS

Reflect, Pray and Enjoy Lunch
10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

December 15 - Advent Reflection

March 30 - Lenten Reflection



Receive the Sacrament
then share a meal.

October 13 & May 11
at 10:00 a.m.

Receive God's healing touch!

Adult Faith Formation Sessions:

Catholicism 101

Wednesdays 6:30 – 8 p.m.

East Meeting Room - Lower level of church

DATE TOPIC PRESENTER

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September 22	Church Tour (in church)	Barb Woods
October 13	Eschatology	Father Larry Hoffmann
November 10	Liturgical Calendar	Father Mark Neal
January 12	Sacraments	Dr. Tom Neal
February 9	Mass/Prayer	Father Mark Neal
March 2	Lent	Dr. Tom Neal
April 27	Holy Week – Easter Paschal Mystery	John McMichael
May 4	Eucharistic People	TBA