



October 1 - March 31
 Sunday Mass at 10:30am
April 1 - September 30
 Sunday Mass 8:30am

Faith Formation Schedule 2024-2025

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Month	Elementary Classes 3:05-4:30	Middle School Classes First and Third Wednesday 6:30-8:00	9 th - 10 th grade Second and Fourth Wednesday 6:30-8:00 11 th grade will meet one Sunday per month.
October 3, Franki Moscato Concert & Corporal works of Mercy Fair – see bulletin for details			
October	2,9,16,23	2	9,23
November	6,13,20	6, 20	13
December	4,11,18	4,18	11
January	8,15,22	15	8,22
February	5,12,19,26	5,19	12,26
March	5,12,19	19	12
April	2,9,23	2,9 *APRIL 9TH FIELD TRIP - PASSION PLAY 6:30PM	9 *APRIL 9TH FIELD TRIP - PASSION PLAY 6:30PM

*Middle & High School (6-11) classes will attend.

Sacrament Enrollments:

11th Grade: Confirmation Enrollment, October 6 (Meeting at 9:30- parents and students) Mass at 10:30(parents and students), 11:30-12:30 (parents and students)

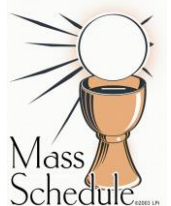
2nd Grade: Reconciliation Enrollment, October 13 (meeting at 9:30) Mass at 10:30 **First Communion Enrollment** January 19 (meeting at 9:30) Mass at 10:30. This is a parent and child meeting.

Retreats:

- 2nd Grade Reconciliation Retreat - November 2, 1:30-5:00
- 2nd Grade First Communion Retreat - March 8, 1:30-5:00
- Confirmation Retreat – February 9, time and location TBD

Wednesday Faith Formation Masses:

(see highlighted dates on table above) **Mass time: 3:45-4:30**



We are grateful for the opportunity to partner with you to raise your child in the Catholic faith. Being an active member or St. Mary Catholic Church means that you support the church in a variety of ways. Through tithing, through service, through prayer, and other ways of engagement. We provide many ways that YOU the **Domestic Church** can support your child's faith journey and catholic understanding. You do this by:

- Attending church and taking part in ministry opportunities.
- Praying together as a family. Many ideas and suggestions will be shared with you.
- Tithing, supporting your parish financially helps to provide for the needs of the faithful. This includes keeping the lights on and providing faith formation. (Tuition does not cover the cost of the program or parish expenses.)
- Serving your church and community. You will find many opportunities to participate in service opportunities. Watch for opportunities throughout the year for you and your family.

According to the Second Vatican Council's Dogmatic Constitution on the Church: "The family, is so to speak, the domestic church." (*Lumen Gentium* #11) This means that it is in the context of the family that we first learn who God is and to prayerfully seek His will for us. In the following bullet points you will find some suggestions on how to build your "domestic church" through a life of prayer that can help all the members of your family.

- Begin praying as a family and reading Scripture daily, certainly before meals, but also first thing in the morning or before bed. Find a time that works for your family. Use the liturgy of the Church as a model for prayer and try to include heartfelt unstructured prayer as well.
- Pray a Family Rosary (each member leads a decade, and everyone shares intentions).
- Have a crucifix in a prominent place in the home, and in every bedroom.
- Make the Sacraments a regular celebration – take the whole family to Confession and Mass!
- Begin family traditions based on the seasons celebrated in the liturgical calendar.
- Make your vacation a holy pilgrimage by visiting the shrines and saints of our land and the world.
- Make worshiping God a priority. Never miss Mass, even while traveling – go to: www.MassTimes.org to find a church near you!
- Teach stewardship and charity to your children, through word and example.
- Demonstrate love for your spouse, your children, your neighbors, and the world. Remind their children that they are loved by God and have been given gifts to serve others.
- Talk freely about the presence of God in the joys and sorrows of your life.
- Welcome into your home and support priests, brothers, sisters, deacons, and lay ministers in the Church.
- Participate in the lay ministries and activities of your parish community.
- Allow your children to witness you in private prayer. Encourage your children to pray daily on their own, to listen for God's call, and if heard, to respond.
- For more ideas on how to build your home as a Domestic Church, go to: www.domestic-church.com or visit [The Family Fully Alive](#), sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

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- Please make sure to sign up for **TEAM REACH**. This is a great way to communicate.
- Communication will come to you via email, the bulletin, Team Reach, notes in folders and from Facebook. **Not receiving emails from Andy? Make sure we have your correct info on file.**