

Kindergarten - 5th Grade

Kindergarten through 5th grades is offered on Sundays, 11:45am - 1:15pm and Mondays, 4:30 - 6:00pm. Classes will not exceed 25 students per class. Once classes are full, students from K - 5 will move to the homeschool program.

The curriculum used is the Pflaum Gospel Weeklies; <http://www.pflaumweeklies.com/>

K-5 Sunday 11:45-1:15

**Aug. 26 check-in
Sept. 17, 24
Oct. 8
**Oct 14 (*Kid Zone*)
Nov. 5, 12
Dec. 3, 10
Jan. 7, 21
Feb. 4, 11
Mar. 4
**Mar 10 (*Kid Zone*)
Apr. 15, 22
May 6, **12

K-5 Monday 4:30-6:00

**Aug. 26 check-in
Sept. 18, 25
Oct. 9
**Oct 14 (*Kid Zone*)
Nov. 6, 13
Dec. 4, 11
Jan. 8, 22
Feb. 5, 12
Mar. 5
**Mar. 10 (*Kid Zone*)
Apr. 16, 23
May 7, **12

Kid Zone: There are two Kid Zone events each year; Saturdays from 9am - 1pm. The events will include Faith Formation classes, as well as fun activities and games. At least one parent is asked to attend Kid Zone with their child.

Aug 26 & May 12 are family events that will take place between 10:00am - 1:00pm. Both events will include a potluck lunch.

EPIC (6th -8th)

EPIC - Everything Possible In Christ is offered on Sundays from 2:30 - 4:00pm (Monday option is available for 6th & 7th grades). The EPIC program is designed to provide grade level faith formation, build community, and promote the Christian mission. After completion of EPIC, students will be prepared to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. The 6th grade curriculum includes, "Altartation", "Encounter", and "CHOSEN." The 7th grade is "Altartation", "Theology of the Body for Middle School", and "CHOSEN." The 8th grade curriculum includes "CHOSEN" lessons and a retreat.

Sunday (grades 6, 7, 8) 2:30-4:00

**Aug. 26 check-in
Sept. 17, 24
Oct. 8, 15
Oct 27-28 (WWM)
Nov. 5, 12
Dec. 3, 10
Jan. 7, 21, 28
Feb. 4, 11, 25
Mar. 4, 11
Apr. 15, 22, 29
May 6, **12

**Saturday

Monday (grades 6 & 7) 4:30-6:00

**Aug. 26 check-in
Sept. *17, 25
Oct. 9, *15
Oct 27-28 (WWM)
Nov. 6, 13
Dec. 4, 11
Jan. 8, 22, *28
Feb. 5, 12, *25
Mar. 5, 12
Apr. 16, 23, *29
May 7, **12

*Sunday
**Saturday

YDISCIPLINE (9th - 12th)

Designed to engage teens in activities that promote the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Faith and send them into the world as Disciples of Christ. YDisciple meets on Sunday from 5:45pm-7:30pm. Contact Gretchen Dunham at youthgroup@saintgabriel.net

Other Faith Formation Classes

Sunday 9:45-11:15

Aug. 26 check-in
Aug. 27
Sept. 17, 24
Oct. 1,8,15,22,29
Nov. 5,12,26
Dec. 3,10
Jan. 7,14,21,28
Feb. 4,11,18,25
March 4,11,18
Apr. 8,15,22,29
May 6, 12

RCIC

Rite of Christian Initiation for Children is for children ages 7-17 who are not baptized or who are baptized in another faith.

Sunday 9:45-11:15

Aug. 26 check-in
Aug. 27
Sept. 17, 24
Oct. 1,8,15,22,29
Nov. 5,12,26
Dec. 3,10
Jan. 7,14,21,28
Feb. 4,11,18,25
March 4,11,18
Apr. 8,15,22,29
May 6, 12

YSF

Youth Sacramental Formation is for baptized Catholic children, over the age of 10, who will be receiving their First Reconciliation and/or First Communion.

Homeschool

The home school program is for grades K - 5. Parents are responsible for teaching their children the curriculum in the home. Families will meet 8 times throughout the year at St. Gabriel.

Sunday 12:45-2:15

Aug 26,(check-in)
October 29
November 26
January 28
February 25
March 18
April 29
May 12

Our parish has **FORMED**, a website that provides access to Catholic movies, books, audios and programs. To register go to www.formed.org and enter our **Parish Code ef46a3**.

Sacramental Preparation

Requirements

- * Copy of Baptismal Certificate by Sep 24th
- * 75% attendance in all classes
- * Sacramental preparation is a two year process
- * Involvement by Parents and Sponsors is essential

First Reconciliation & First Communion



Children must be seven or older and have completed one year catechesis prior to entering preparation for First Confession/Eucharist. Preparation for these sacraments normally takes place in the 2nd grade Faith Formation program classes. There are six additional dates/times:

First Reconciliation Preparation

- 9/14 Parent Meeting 6:30-7:30
- 10/26 Q&A 6:30-7:30
- 11/4 Reconciliation Retreat 8:30-noon
- 12/2, 9,16 First Reconciliation

First Eucharist Preparation

- 1/11 Parent Meeting 6:30-7:30
 - 2/22 Q&A 6:30-7:30
 - 4/14 First Communion Retreat 8:30-Noon
 - 5/19, 20 First Communion Ceremonies*
- *dates subject to change

Confirmation

Confirmation is a two year process. The curriculum includes "TOB" & "Chosen." As part of their preparation for the sacrament, MS students will participate in EPIC and HS students will participate in YDisciple. All students will be expected to complete works of charity and a Retreat. **Additional charges for the retreat will be collected at a later date.**



Policies

General Information

- * Must be a registered Parishioner at St. Gabriel for at least 3 months prior to the first day of Faith Formation.
- * All parishioners are strongly encouraged to register their children in Faith Formation classes.
- * A parent or guardian must volunteer in the child's classroom at least TWICE per year.
- * Class dates are subject to change.
- * Please keep in contact with your Catechist.

Weather Policy

- * Weekdays: The parish follows the D20 schedule, if the school district is closed, then there is no FF classes that day.
- * Weekends: The decision to cancel classes will be made 7:30 am. Please check your emails and/or call the church office for the most updated weather information.

Program contacts

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Youth & Teen Faith Formation Brochure 2017-2018



Mission Statement: The St. Gabriel Faith Formation Program is dedicated to providing its parishioners with a dynamic learning environment rich in Faith Formation, Catholic Doctrine, and Religious Celebration.

Faith Formation Goals:

1. Invite and enable ongoing conversion to Jesus in Holiness of Life.
2. Promote and support active membership in the Christian Community.
3. Prepare youth and adults to act as disciples in the Mission to the World.