

Parish Pastoral Council

April 8, 2021

<b>Attendees:</b>			
Present	Name	Present	Name
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Father Tom Fangman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kay Doyle
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mike Rasmussen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vitus Schmidt
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Charles Olson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brett Sims
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	John Beacom	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Michelle Kieny
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Deb Gustafson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nicole Vossen
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brian Krejci	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Guests: FF Committee: Amanda Pfeifer & Johnny Murray  
Vicki Payton

**Opening:**

Fr. Tom Fangman opened with prayer.

**Review of minutes from the previous meeting:**

PPC Notes from March Approved.

**Committee/Staff Updates**

FF Committee (Amanda Pfeifer & Johnny Murray): Parish Mission will be in person as well as live streamed. Significant improvement to FF for 2021. Registration will be online.

School Advisory Board (Father Tom Fangman): State of the School presented March 30<sup>th</sup>. [Replay](#) available for those unable to attend.

Finance Committee (John Beacom & Vicki Payton): Preliminary budget prepared for next year. Lots of discussion surrounding increase in budget vs. increase in tuition.

**Items for discussion and planning**

Parish Mission: April 11<sup>th</sup> through April 13<sup>th</sup> "The Call to Love & Mercy" Speaker = ValLimar Jansen. In person & Live streamed.

Plans for post lift of COVID dispensation: Considering full capacity for some masses.

**PPC Officer Elections**

:Mike  
Charles  
Brett

Spirit: Most profitable Spirit. Costs were low. Positive feedback so far.

**Closing**

Meeting adjourned with prayer by Father Tom Fangman

## FF Committee Updates:



# Our Family of Faith In Real Life Family Faith Formation

Real life is messy. It's loud. It's busy. It's joyful. It's happy. It's sad. Sometimes it's maddening. But it has real purpose! Living out our faith involves embracing exactly where you are at as a family and inviting Jesus into the mix. As we continue our journey as one family of faith next year, we want to embrace all that real life has to offer. Here is a look at our Family Faith Formation offerings for the 2021-2022 calendar year.

## PreS - K

### Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

- Montessori based catechesis for the young child, ages 3-6
- Kindergarten parents can opt into either CGS or Family Faith
- Classes will meet three Wednesdays per month (September thru May) at 4:00pm during Family Faith Formation (max 20 students) or a weekday morning, Tuesdays at 9:30am or Wednesdays at 9:30am (max 20 students)
- Class size is limited to 10 students per session and will be filled on a first come, first served basis

## K-5th

### Family Faith Formation

- Families will come to campus three Wednesdays per month at 4:00pm or 6:00pm (September thru May)
- Child must attend with a parent every week. Any child without a parent chaperone will have parents called and be sent home.
- Weeks 1 & 2: Family groups will rotate between Family Faith In Action & Family Faith Encounter. These weeks provide a retreat-like experience for families to actively engage and participate in the faith in both large and small group environments.
- Week 3: Children will attend grade level specific catechesis. Parents will have the option to be in the child's classroom or to attend an Adult Faith Formation offering. Sacrament Preparation for 2nd grade will occur during this time.

## 6-8th

### Middle School Formation

- Students will come to campus three Wednesdays per month at 4:00pm or 6:00pm (September thru May)
- Large group opening sessions followed by grade level small groups facilitated by the Youth Ministry Team
- Small Group sessions for 7th/8th grade will include Sacrament Preparation

## Our Family of Faith In Real Life



### Action

Family groups will meet in the gym for interactive activities designed to get you up and moving (games, skits, videos, small group challenges) and allowing our community of faith to come together with fun!

### Encounter

Family groups will meet in the church for interactive spiritual activities (worship, prayer, guest speakers, Eucharistic Adoration, small group sharing) designed to allow us to start to put our faith into action.

### Learn

We bring it all together to review the key concepts of the month. Children will meet in the classroom for a grade level specific session. Parents can participate in the classroom or choose another Adult Faith Formation Offering.

Sessions begin September 8th. Online registration opens April 12.

Questions? Contact the Family Faith Formation Office at (402) 289-4947.



# Sacraments: Worth the Celebration

Sacrament Preparation for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation (7th & 8th grade) begins in August.

## First Reconciliation

Preparation for First Reconciliation will be in the classroom as part of the Family Faith Formation Program on the third Wednesday of the month as well as a full day retreat at the Church. At least one parent is required to be in attendance for the retreat; however, both are welcome. Reception of the Sacrament will occur as part of the retreat day.

Retreat Dates: Saturday, October 23rd from 8-2pm or Saturday, October 30th from 8-2pm

## First Eucharist

Preparation for First Eucharist will be in the classroom as part of the Family Faith Formation Program on the third Wednesday of the month and a 3-hour retreat at the Church. At least one parent is required to be in attendance; however, both are welcome. First Eucharist will be celebrated the weekends of April 30th & May 1st and May 7th-8th.

Retreat Dates: Saturday, April 8th from 8-11am or Saturday, April 23rd from 8-11am

## 7th Grade Confirmation

Preparation for Confirmation begins in the 7th grade with active participation in the Middle School Formation program.

Additional Requirements:

- Participation in a Discipleship Mentor Group
- 10 Community Service Hours with family or Confirmation Sponsor
- Full day Identity in Christ Retreat. Retreats will be held offsite at Pro Sanctity Center (11002 N 204th Street, Elkhorn NE 68002). Only students will attend. Lunch will be served. Retreat Dates: Saturday, April 23rd from 9-3pm or Saturday, April 30th from 9-3pm

## 8th Grade Confirmation

Preparation for Confirmation continues into the 8th grade year with participation in the Middle School Formation program.

Additional requirements for Confirmation include:

- Participation in a Discipleship Mentor Group
- Full Day Spirit Retreat off-site at Pro Sanctity Center (11002 N 204th Street, Elkhorn NE 68002). Only students will attend. Lunch will be served. Retreat Dates: Saturday, August 21st from 9-3pm or Saturday, August 28th from 9-3pm
- 18 Community Service Hours: Six hours to be completed over the summer with family or Confirmation sponsor and due at the retreat. Twelve additional hours to be completed between September 1st and December 31, 2021 (six hours to be completed with Discipleship Group, six hours with family or Confirmation sponsor)
- Confirmation Conversation
- Letter to the Archbishop

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at a date to be determined by the Archbishop.



## Registration & Sacrament Preparation Fees

### Family Faith Formation (K-5th)

\$135 per child, max \$350 per family

### Middle School Faith Formation (6th-8th)

\$135 per child, max \$350 per family

### Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (PreS-K)

\$135 per child, max \$350 per family

### Sacrament Preparation

2nd Grade - includes materials, supplies and two retreats, \$75 per child

7th Grade - includes materials, supplies and a full day retreat, \$50 per child

8th Grade - includes materials, supplies and a full day retreat, \$100 per child

# SPY - St. Patrick's Youth Ministry

The logo for St. Patrick's Catholic Church, featuring a stylized key icon to the left of the text. The text is arranged in two lines: "ST. PATRICK'S" on the top line and "ELKHORN NE. CATHOLIC CHURCH" on the bottom line.

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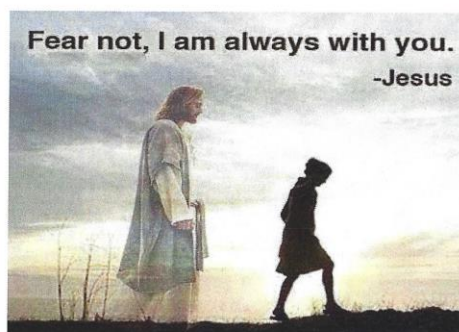
## Ephesians 6: 10-17

- ▶ Finally, draw your strength from the Lord and from his mighty power. Put on the armor of God so that you may be able to stand firm against the tactics of the devil. For our struggle is not with flesh and blood but with the principalities, with the powers, with the world rulers of this present darkness, with the evil spirits in the heavens. Therefore, put on the armor of God, that you may be able to resist on the evil day and, having done everything, to hold your ground. So stand fast with your loins girded in truth, clothed with righteousness as a breastplate, and your feet shod in readiness for the gospel of peace. In all circumstance, hold faith as a shield, to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. And take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.



## Vision of St. Patrick's Youth Ministry

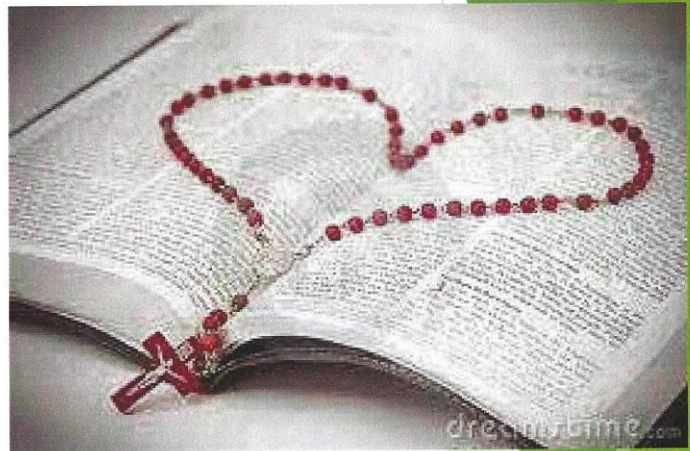
- ▶ To equip our youth with the Armor of God, by helping them build a relationship with Jesus Christ; doing so that they may go forth being not afraid to share the good news and love of Christ with all they encounter, by inviting all to be part of our family.



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## How do we do that?

1. Community and Fellowship
2. Prayer/Scripture
3. Substance
4. Love and relationship with Jesus Christ



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## Starts from the top - Unified as God's Team

- Growing in relationship with Jesus
  - Prayer & Sacraments
  - Walk the Walk, be an example
  - Togetherness - Community, Respect
  - Communication: Open, Vulnerable, Transparent
  - Not our will, but God's will. Do what is best for the kids. Whatever we do, must always be done Through Him, With Him, and In Him.
  - Have FUN!!!



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# SPY

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FOR MORE INFORMATION  
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## SALT

Open to high school boys in grades 10-12. Discipleship, authentic manhood, and vocational discernment is discussed with the SPY community. Facilitated by Father Moser, Deacon Wingle, and Connor Mazzei.

Meets Sundays at 3pm at St. Patrick's.

## ROSARY & RUNZA

Open to all high schoolers. SPY community members meet to pray the rosary, discuss their faith life, and socialize over dinner or dessert. Discipleship and spiritual formation is emphasized. Facilitated by Connor Mazzei.

Meets Mondays at 7pm at St. Patrick's

## SPYRL

Due to COVID restrictions, SPYRL will focus on community engagement, relational outreach, and continuing discipleship. Join us for a video series and small groups discussing the graces and challenges of living as a Catholic Christian as modern teens. Open to all high schoolers. Facilitated by Alex & Elizabeth Zimmerman.

Meets Wednesdays at 8:15pm at St. Patrick's.

## JUBILEE

Open to all high schoolers. Students are transformed through service learning and discipleship emphasizing Catholic Social Teaching and Works of Mercy. Meet at St. Pats to receive transportation to service sites. Facilitated by Billie Kunzman.

Times and locations vary.

## BLESSED IS SHE

Open to all high school girls. Scripture, catechesis, and Catholic spirituality is analyzed and applied to the lives of participants. Facilitated by Monica Schroll and Brianna Friedenbach.

Meets Sundays at 2:30pm at St. Patrick's.

## ENCOUNTER

Open to all high schoolers and middle schoolers. Come and encounter the Lord in a powerful way through Adoration. Have your heart set ablaze for Jesus through praise and worship, prayer teams, and confession offered when Priests are available. Facilitated by Johnny Murray and Grant Ramm.

Meets the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm at St. Patrick's.

## COMMUNITY NIGHT

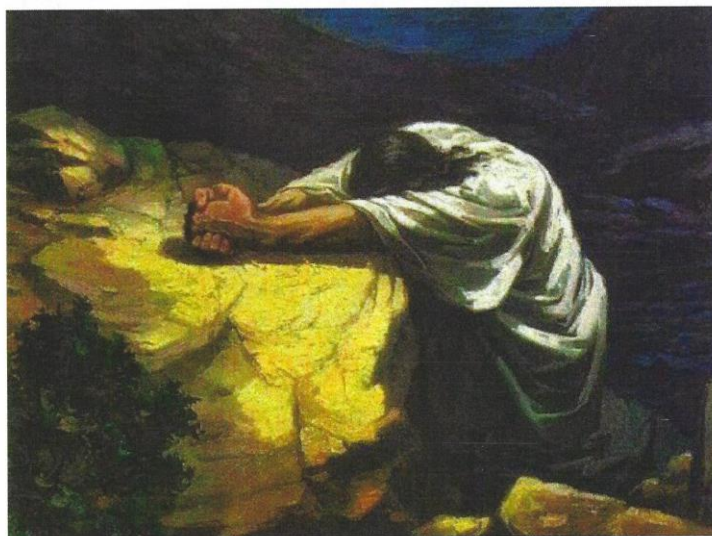
Monthly community nights for both high schoolers and middle schoolers. Wonder what SPY is all about? Looking for a supportive community outside of school? Curious to see how other students your age incorporate the Catholic faith into their lives? Join us for faith, food, and fellowship. Facilitated by the St. Patrick's Youth Ministry team.

Coming Soon!

The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in unprecedented graces and challenges to youth ministry. In order to provide further support and engagement, day-long and overnight retreats will become available once it is safe to do so. One-on-one spiritual mentorship is available to all high school students through the faith formation office.

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Population	<i>Relational Outreach</i>			<i>Conversion Engine</i>			<i>Transformational Growth</i>		<i>Missional Teams</i>		
6th-12th Grade	SPYRL Community (Johnny)			Alive in the Spirit (Johnny)			Rosary & Runza (Johnny)		SALT (Johnny)		
	Jubilee (Johnny)			Steubenville (Johnny)			Encounter - Youth Adoration (Johnny)		Blessed is She (Johnny)		
	Taste & See (Johnny)			Retreats (URLoved/other) (Johnny)			Be Not Afraid Discipleship Groups (Johnny)		iweekly/Monthly Meetings with Volunteers (Johnny)		
	Community Nights (Johnny)			Saturday Night Youth Group (Coming Soon) (Johnny)			Youth Ministry Monthly Leadership Team Meetings (Johnny)				
	Worlds of Fun (Johnny)										
	8th Grade Lunches (Johnny)										
	Pancake/Bacon Breakfasts (Johnny)										

Matthew 14:23 - What does Jesus show us to do? To go up on the mountain and pray!



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