

O dear Jesus,

I humbly implore You to grant Your special graces to our family. May our home be the shrine of peace, purity, love, labor and faith. I beg You, dear Jesus, to protect and bless all of us, absent and present, living and dead.

O Mary,

loving Mother of Jesus, and our Mother, pray to Jesus for our family,

for all the families of the world, to guard the cradle of the newborn, the schools of the young and their vocations.

Blessed Saint Joseph,

holy guardian of Jesus and Mary,

assist us by your prayers

in all the necessities of life.

Ask of Jesus that special grace

which He granted to you,

to watch over our home at the pillow of the sick and the dying,

so that with Mary and with you, heaven may find our family unbroken

in the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Amen.



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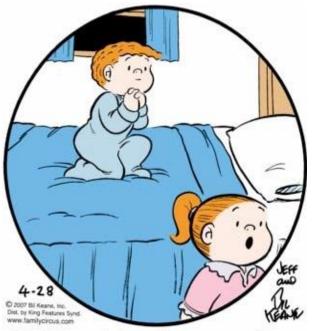
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St. JOSEPH'S Parish

Family Catechesis

2023/2024





"Jeffy's only kneeling on one knee again and saying half the Hail Mary." Parents are the first catechists of their children in the ways of faith. In our family life we pass on a Catholic way of life through daily prayer, eating together, worshipping together on Sunday and through study and discussion.

When children attend a Catholic school they are taught religious education as part of the curriculum. Religious education is different from immediate preparation for the celebration of a sacrament.

The adage, 'faith is caught not taught' is definitely true. Parents are encouraged to remember that we share the faith Sunday after Sunday. The pastoral staff at St. Joseph Parish is prepared to assist parents as they pass on faith to their children.

We will hold regular opportunities for family catechesis called Family Feast in the parish. The sessions will be Saturday Mornings (starting at 11:30 a.m.) once a month. The sessions will be a time of fellowship, prayer, catechesis (teaching) and lunch.

Dates to Remember

September 16 October 21 November 18 December 16 January 20 February 10 March 16 April 20 May 11 June 8