St. Augustine Catholic Church Faith Formation

Vision: All members of a family experience a joyful faith journey that allows the light of the Holy Spirit to embrace them everyday.

Mission: We assist the family in the development of faithful Christian Catholics by providing spiritual enrichment, knowledge of the Catholic faith and teachings of the Church in a nurturing social environment. We share and celebrate the Word of God at home, in the parish and the community.

Components of Faith Formation

The catechesis of St. Augustine's faith formation flows from the words of Jesus Christ in the Sunday Gospels. Our catechesis approach is a <u>multi-generational</u> family focus.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd serves the child age 3-5 yrs old in the level I Atrium. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd serves the child 6-8 yrs. old in the level II Atrium. The level II Atrium also prepares the child for First Reconciliation and First Communion. The Atrium is a sacred place where children come to draw closer to God.

Pflaum Gospel Weeklies faith formation program serves children 9-11 yrs. old. Children learn their faith including instructions in doctrine, sacraments, commandments, and prayer within the liturgical year. This program conforms with the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Confirmation preparation for 7th and 8th graders is a youth focused on-line program called Decision Point that allows the family to be involved in the sacrament preparation experience.

Teens Youth Group have access to "Spirit" an on-line faith formation program based on the Sunday Gospels and Catholic beliefs following the liturgical year. Teens participate in a variety of service projects and faith-based field trips.

R.C.I.A.-Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a sacramental process concerned with the fundamental values of the Christian way of life. Persons interested in joining or knowing more about the Christian Catholic faith may call the church office for specific information.

Adult Faith Formation consists of a <u>scheduled</u> Sunday morning Session of faith sharing on the Church, Mass, sacraments, moral living, prayer, saints and social justice.

Men's Bible Study meets Thursday evenings at 6:00 p.m. in Mizicko Hall.

Women's Bible Study meets Thursday mornings at 11:00 a.m. in Mizicko Hall.

St. Augustine has an active Men's Cursillo and Women's Cursillo that meets weekly. (flexible schedule)