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Dear families,

As a new year of faith formation approaches, we are eagerly preparing for in-person learning at all grade levels. Our theme for this year is *Created for a Purpose*. As a faith community, we will be pondering, praying about, and discussing the plan that God has for each one of us.

In addition to weaving our theme into our classrooms, we are also pleased to introduce a new adult faith series that will take place once a month during your child's religious education session. Monsignor Larry will be the primary presenter for these sessions, with Bishop Donald Hying joining us for the February presentation. A schedule of the *Living Our Faith: A People Called to Purpose* is included with this letter. Please consider joining us for these opportunities to grow in faith!

To register for this year's faith formation program, please complete a *Faith Formation Registration Form* (one per family). Forms may be mailed to the parish center office or submitted electronically to [Lisa Haas](#) (Please remember to sign and save your PDF file before emailing). Payment may be made manually or through *FaithDirect*. We ask that you please **submit completed registrations by Wednesday, September 28th**. Children will be considered registered upon receipt of a completed registration form and payment.

Finally, without the generosity of those willing to share their faith, in-person faith formation is not possible. With a growing program, we are currently ***in need of additional catechists and catechist aides for grades 1, 5, and 6***. All lesson resources and support are provided, as well as a small stipend for each session. And the reward of working with children is fantastic!!! We ask that you prayerfully consider being a part of the program, and if interested, or know someone who would be a good candidate, contact [Kay Schachte](#).

We are looking forward to a wonderful and faith-filled year! If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact [me](#).

With kind regards,

We are called to 'Go Make Disciples' – but so often we don't know how.

So many people have said that they would like to be able to share the Faith, but that they don't know how to talk about it; they don't know how to articulate what we believe.

This is a series of talks, each with discussion time built in, designed to help explore church teaching AND to learn how to talk about what it is we believe.

Designed to help all adults learn about, explore, deepen and share their faith.

All are welcome.
Come and see.



1 Sunday a month from

12:45-1:45pm

Our Lady Queen of Peace
Madison, WI

The Eucharist September 18th, 12:45-1:45

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"In the Eucharist: the strength of the love that becomes small so as to be welcomed and not feared; the strength of the love that is broken and shared so as to nourish and give life; the strength of the love that is split apart so as to join us in unity; the strength to love those who make mistakes." – Pope Francis

How can the Eucharist change the world? How can Mass become the happiest hour of the week for you?

The Principals of Catholic Social Teaching

October 16th, 12:45-1:45

Deacon Mark Zwolski and Pastoral Associate Cheryl Horne



Come explore just what the church teaches on everything from the life and dignity of the human person to solidarity, to care for creation, to what we are called to do by Jesus in the Gospels.

How can you live out the principals of Catholic Social Teaching as Jesus calls us to?

Our Call to Holiness

November 11th, 12:45-1:45

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"Growing in holiness...means becoming better persons, free of selfishness and self-absorption, and ever ready to place ourselves at the service of our brothers and sisters....holiness is a 'vocation' for everyone." – Pope Francis

November begins with All Saints Day – and remembering that we are all called to be saints – how can we live in the world as saints?

And how do we keep the **holy** in the **holidays**?

The Christmas Pageant

December 18th, 1pm

Msgr. Larry Bakke and the Children of the Parish



"Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy." – the Gospel of Luke

Come join us for this new tradition of preparing for the last days of Advent with the story that celebrates Jesus coming into the world as one of us: Emmanuel.

Join us for an opportunity to keep the **holy** in the **holidays**?

Preparing for Lent

February 19th, 12:45-1:45

Bishop Donald Hying



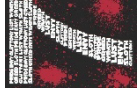
What better way to begin your Lenten journey?

Come join Bishop Hying and see how you can make this your most life changing and life-affirming Lenten journey ever!

7 Deadly Sins & 7 Holy Antidotes

March 19th, 12:45-1:45

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We've all heard of the 7 deadly sins – and most of us are acquainted with more of them than we would like.... can you name them all? And why is knowing them important? And what can you do about avoiding them? And how can healing from any sin help to change the world? How can it change YOUR world?

Catholic Boot Camp

January 22nd, 12:45-1:45

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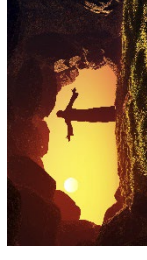
What better way to begin the new year in faith?

How can you live your faith this year in a way that can change the world?

Celebrating Easter

April 16th, 12:45-1:45

Msgr. Larry Bakke & TBD



Come celebrate our holiest and most joyful season of the year!!!