

Bagels & Basics 2026-2027

A Class for Parish Freshman

Attending at least 11 Bagels & Basics sessions & at least 1 Reconciliation Service is part of the Confirmation Preparation Guidelines.

All Classes are 12:30pm to 2pm

Sunday, September 27thComing together to explore the 4 pillars of the church
This is a session for ALL freshmen and ALL their parents!
We will hear from Fr. Brian, discuss the pillars of the faith & talk about the road to Confirmation and beyond!

Sunday, October 4th What does it mean if I say I'm Catholic?
A discussion about the Catholic Faith - the key practices and elements, and what matters most to us personally!

Sunday, October 18th It all begins with the story: the Bible
The Bible is 'The inspired word of God'.....what does it inspire in us today? How does it apply to everyday existence?

Sunday, November 1st One Holy Catholic and Apostolic
We will continue our discussion of what it means to be Catholic by taking a closer look at the Nicene Creed, and then playing a little trivia to test our knowledge of all things Catholicism.

Sunday, November 15thCircle of Grace (Protecting God's Children)
We live in a world where we constantly have to make decisions - and sometimes those decisions are hard!
Using our faith as our guide, we will talk through some tricky scenarios

Sunday, December 6th The Advent Project
We will discuss all things Advent, the reason for the season, the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy, and introduce the Advent Project - what a good way to prepare for Christmas!

That Same Day (12/6): The 100th Capitol Christmas Pageant
This is the first mini-course option available to our Freshman - watch for an email to sign up!
It is also a lovely show to watch, even if you aren't in it!

Sunday, December 20th Forgiveness of Sins: Reconciliation
This is the first of 2 Confession opportunities for our students, the next will be during Lent!

Welcome to Bagels & Basics, 2027!!!

New Year's Resolution: Get Confirmed!

Sunday, January 10th Is there Faith After High School?

What does faith look like after high school? An honest discussion with some college students....

Sunday, January 24th Ethics & Morality

What, exactly does the Church teach about real life stuff? And does that have anything to do with my life now?

We will look at the Catechism of the Church – and the youth focused translation: the YouCat!!!

Sunday, February 14th “Fathers on the Hot Seat”

*We’ll ask Fr. Brian and friends questions about their lives and ministry, our faith,
and what it has meant to them to follow Jesus.*

We will also ask them about some of the things that became discussion issues during our Ethics & Morality sessions.....

Sunday, February 28th All Things Lent!

We’ll mark the beginning of the Lenten Season by looking at how we are called to be Easter People....

*If we know that we are chosen by God....if we TRULY know it....how does it affect how we live? How does it affect our
relationships? How does it affect what kind of athletes we are? What kind of students? What kind of people?*

Sunday, March 14th Forgiveness of Sins: Reconciliation

This counts as a regular B&B class for those who attended the Advent Reconciliation, as well.

Sunday, March 21st The week that sets us all apart

We’ll take the time to look at Holy Week and the Triduum.....and the Holy Day that sets Christianity apart!

Sunday, April 4th Putting the Pieces together

We’ll take the time to look at all we have learned so far this year....can you sing the Jeopardy theme???

Sunday, April 18th The Big Picture + Faith beyond QP

*Looking ahead to what could be, we will visit St. Paul’s Catholic Student Center on UW Madison’s Campus to talk with some students there about
Catholicism lived out in a seemingly non-religious place!*