

**THE PARISH FAMILY OF
ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA &
OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL**



INTRODUCES

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM
SEPTEMBER 2010 – MAY 2011**



**GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER
(Intergenerational Lifelong Faith Formation)**



We sit on the sidelines in rain, snow, heat & cold to cheer our children on in all their activities....

Why not in this hectic world we live in, sit on the sidelines and

Watch our children grow.... into Children of God

and at the same time let our Faith grow along with them

G I F T

GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER

Involves everyone in our parish faith community. Through this innovative approach, all ages learn and grow together through our experiences and participation in Church life.



These GIFTS Are for YOU



Building parish community by engaging all ages in the life of the Church



Sharing faith & learning from our individual experiences.



Nurturing the faith of families and individuals at home.

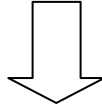


Helping each of us grow in the understanding of Church events and living our faith in every day life.

SESSION OVERVIEW

SHARING A MEAL TOGETHER WITH OUR FAMILY AND PARISH COMMUNITY

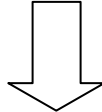
No cooking, no pot luck, no serving, no clean up. Just come, eat and enjoy!



OPENING ALL-AGES EXPERIENCE

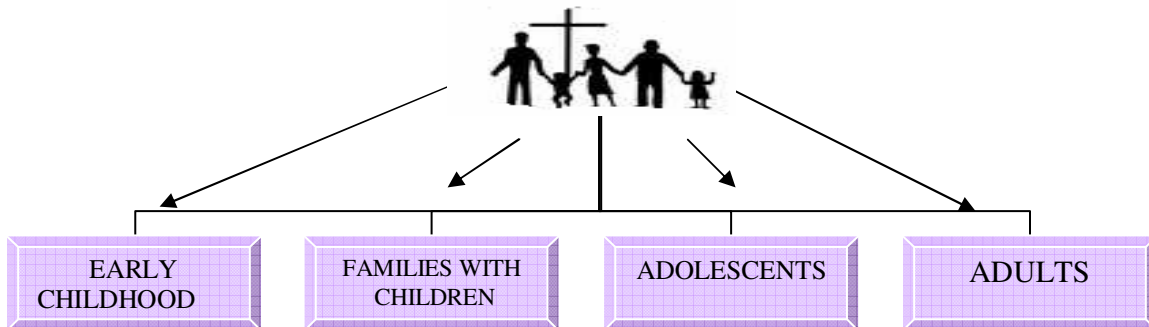
Introduction to the topic of the session.

Presented to all ages using prayer, film, story, activity, etc.



EVERYONE GATHERS INTO AGE SPECIFIC LEARNING ACTIVITIES

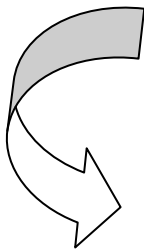
All ages learn about the same topic except they learn according to their stage in life



LARGE GROUP SHARING EXPERIENCE

All age groups come back together to share what they have learned

And receive Home Kits to continue to live what they've learned.



CELEBRATION

All generations engage in more meaningful participation in Church liturgies and events. They continue to reflect and apply the significance and meaning of these events for their lives as Catholics.

INFORMATIONAL MATERIAL

REGISTRATION

- Registration packets with detailed information will be mailed out in the beginning of June.
- Registration fees will remain the same as last year.

SESSIONS

- Sessions will be once a month from 6:00 – 8:30pm beginning with meal.
- Those preparing for Sacraments (Grades 2, 7 & 8) will continue to meet weekly (see below)

SESSION SCHEDULE

- Proposed nights (Monday & Wednesday) – Upon registration it will be determined if a third night would need to be added.
- The monthly session will be held the first week of the month, **except** in November which will be the second week due to the closing of school. A schedule of all classes will be distributed.
- You will be able to choose the **one night of the week** that will be most convenient for your family. The day chosen will **remain your session throughout the year**. At least **one parent/guardian** attends the chosen session with their child/children.

SESSION LOCATIONS

- The proposed locations will be St. Anthony of Padua Church and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Woodbridge. As of this date we are uncertain about the use of the facilities at #9 School.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION STUDENTS (Grades 2, 7&8)

- These students will continue to meet on a weekly schedule (without parent). On the first week of the month they will join the monthly session classes. As of this date we are working on the time and location for these classes.

***WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS, PATIENCE AND PARTICIPATION AS WE MOVE AHEAD TO
GROW IN FAITH TOGETHER....***

***UPDATES WILL BE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE PARISH BULLETIN & WEBSITE,
E-MAILS & MAILINGS. THANK YOU.***