

**Saint Catherine Parish  
Saint Sebastian Parish**  
*Child & Youth Faith Formation*  
**August 2017 – June 2018**  
**Registration & Schedules**

**Faith Formation Classes**

(Grades K4 – Grade 6)

**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**

(Levels 1 / 2 / 3)

**Youth Ministry**

(Grade 7 – Grade 10)

Families in the parishes of Saint Catherine and Saint Sebastian are encouraged to participate in our variety of faith formation opportunities offered for children, youth, and adults. Families may choose to participate in any program in the parishes whether or not it is your “home” parish.

A combined registration form is attached with this package.

It may be used for any of our faith formation programs.

The Registration Packet is also accessible on the Saint Sebastian website

<http://saintsebastianonline.net/>

**Parish-centered sacrament preparation for  
Reconciliation, Eucharist, and Confirmation are separate programs  
with their own schedules and registration.**

*Revised 7/6/2017*

# Faith Formation Classes for School-aged Children At Saint Sebastian Parish (Grades K4 – Grade 6)

Basic Faith Formation for children involves age-specific classes at Saint Sebastian from 9:00 to 10:30 am on two Sunday mornings each month. This program offers scripture centered catechetical education, supplements of “taking faith home”, regular opportunities for prayer and service to others, and special programs each year for families and individuals. Classes are scheduled to facilitate family participation in one of our Sunday morning liturgies.



K4/K5 will be using the **Allelu!** Series, which centers upon God’s gifts of creation, our relationship with Jesus, and ways we follow God.

Grades 1-6 use the **Finding God** series from Loyola Press. This series, rooted in scripture, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and Catholic Tradition seeks to ground children in the basics of our faith and helps them and their families explore how we can live as loving, faithful followers of Christ. Each lesson in Finding God has an “At Home” lesson, which allows the entire family to experience the lesson.

## Family Faith Formation

An essential part of our Family and Youth Formation are the Family Programs, which are intergenerational lessons focused on one topic. We schedule four of these Family Programs each year, usually building upon a core theme or teaching of the Church. Each Family Program involves sharing a meal and take-home lessons for continued learning. All families are expected to participate in the Family Programs.

## Adult Formation

In addition to our children’s classes, we support the life-long nature of Faith Formation by offering a **regular series of adult formation sessions** during the time children and youth are in class on Sunday mornings. All parents and other adults are invited to participate and add to the discussion.

Families involved in Faith Formation receive monthly up-dates, Faith Formation information, and articles related to growing in faith.

### Contact

Ed Duncklee  
Director of Lifelong Faith Formation  
414-453-7150  
[eduncklee@saintsebs.org](mailto:eduncklee@saintsebs.org)

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# Faith Formation Calendar for Grades K4 – Grade 6

## Saint Sebastian Parish 2017 – 2018

*Faith Formation meets on scheduled Sundays from 9:00 to 10:30 am*

Sunday, August 27 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	<b>Faith Formation Orientation in Church Hall</b>
Sunday, September 10 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Faith Formation Class
Sunday, September 24 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Faith Formation Class
Sunday, October 1 <sup>st</sup>	4:30 pm	<b>Family Program: Mary, Disciple of Jesus</b>
Sunday, October 8 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Faith Formation Class
Sunday, October 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9:00 am	Faith Formation Class
Saturday, November 4 <sup>th</sup>	TBA	<b>Day of Caring Service in the Community</b>
Sunday, November 5 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Faith Formation Class
Sunday, November 19 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Faith Formation Class
Monday, November 27 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 pm	<b>Family Program: The Domestic Church – Rituals and Liturgy in the Home</b>
Sunday, December 10 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	<b>Las Posadas Celebration at Saint Catherine</b>
Sunday, January 7 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Faith Formation Class
Sunday, January 21 <sup>st</sup>	9:00 am	Faith Formation Class
Sunday, February 4 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Faith Formation Class
Wednesday, February 14 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 pm	<b>Ash Wednesday: Simple Meal and Ecumenical Prayer Service</b>
Sunday, February 18 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Faith Formation Class
Sunday, March 4 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Faith Formation Class
Sunday, March 11 <sup>th</sup>	4:30 pm	<b>Family Program / Holy Week and Easter</b>
Sunday, March 18 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Faith Formation Class
Monday, March 26 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 pm	<b>Living Stations at Saint Catherine</b>
Sunday, April 8 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Faith Formation Class
Sunday, April 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9:00 am	Faith Formation Class
Sunday, May 20 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Closing Class and Program
Sunday, June 3 <sup>rd</sup>	TBA	<b>Family Program: Honoring the Body and Blood of Christ: Adoration</b>

*Revised 8/9/2017*

# Youth Ministry - Grades 7 to 12

## Combined Ministry for Saints Catherine and Sebastian

Youth Ministry for Saint Catherine and Saint Sebastian Parishes involves helping students in grades 7-12 grow in their faith through education, participation in Mass, and community engagement.

Youth Ministry classes are offered from September through May in two age groups, Grades 7-8 and 9-10. The students meet one Sunday morning (9:00 to 10:30) a month and one Sunday evening each month. During the Sunday evening meeting the youth gather and serve as greeters, readers, cantors and ushers at 6:00 p.m. Mass, eat a light meal, and then have class.

Youth Ministry provides our youth with programs and activities all year long which provide fun, service, and faith opportunities.

**Service opportunities** for youth and families are offered throughout the year.

Some of our on-going outreach opportunities include:

- Saint Vincent de Paul Meal Program,
- Service at parish events
- Child care during Advent programs
- Community service to Seniors
- Vacation Bible School one week in June
- Reach In-Reach Out Mission each summer
- Days of Caring in the neighborhood

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Families involved in Youth Ministry receive monthly up-dates, formation information, and articles related to growing in faith.

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Youth Minister  
414-453-7150  
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# Youth Ministry Calendar 2017-2018

## August

Wednesday – 23<sup>rd</sup> 6:30 pm **YM Orientation in Church Hall**

## September

Sunday – 10<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am YM Class

Sunday – 24<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm YM Liturgy & Class

## October

Sunday – 1<sup>st</sup> 4:30 pm **Family Program: Mary, Disciple of Jesus**

Sunday – 8<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am YM Class

Sunday – 22<sup>nd</sup> 6:00 pm YM Liturgy & Class

## November

Sat – 4<sup>th</sup> **Day of Caring Service in the Community**

Sun – 5<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am YM Class

Sun – 19<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm YM Liturgy & Class

Mon – 27<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm **Family Program: The Domestic Church –  
Rituals and Liturgy in the Home**

## December

Sun – 10<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am YM Class

Sun – 17<sup>th</sup> Noon-5:00 pm **Advent Fun Day**

## January

Sun – 7<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am YM Class

Mon – 16<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am – 4:00 pm **Day of Caring Service in the Community**

Sun – 21<sup>st</sup> 6:00 pm YM Liturgy & Class

## February

Sun – 4<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am YM Class

Wed – 14<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm **Ash Wednesday: Simple Meal and  
Ecumenical Prayer Service**

Sun – 18<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm YM Liturgy & Class

## March

Sun – 4<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am YM Class

Sun – 11<sup>th</sup> 4:30 pm **Family Program / Holy Week and Easter**

Sun – 18<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm YM Liturgy & Class

Sun – 25<sup>th</sup> 4:30 pm **Afternoon of Reflection: The Triduum**

## April

Sun – 8<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am YM Class

Sun – 22<sup>nd</sup> 6:00 pm YM Liturgy & Class

## May

Sun – 20<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am YM Class

## June

Sun -3<sup>rd</sup> **Honoring the Body and Blood of Christ:  
Adoration and Benediction**

# Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

## At Saint Catherine Parish

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Montessori-based approach to the religious formation of children, rooted in Sacred Scripture, liturgy, and respect for the child's rich relationship with God. Central to CGS is the atrium, a room containing beautiful materials that focus the child's attention on key scripture passages or liturgical moments. The word "catechesis" is often defined as oral instruction given to catechumens (those preparing for baptism). It is from a Greek word, related to the word "to teach," and means "resounding" or "echoing down." It refers to the passing on of the truths of our faith.

The Atrium (or "Beautiful Place") is the place of preparation for this Montessori classroom style and it is prepared for the children to move about, touch materials, discover and develop a relationship with Jesus, the Good Shepherd. Saint Catherine has three dedicated Atrium located within Saint Catherine School.

After an introduction by the catechist, the children are invited to work with a material on their own to continue their meditation. Because children learn by using their hands, working with materials allows them to enter more deeply into meditation, nurturing their relationship with God.

At Saint Catherine we offer all three levels of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:

- Level 1 (ages 3-6) Sunday Mornings at 9:00 am
- Level II (ages 6-9) Monday evenings at 6:15 pm
- Level III (ages 9-12) Monday evenings at 6:15 pm



All age levels focus on the life of Christ, the sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist, and on a range of parables. In Level One for ages 3-6 the heart of the Catechesis is the parable of the Good Shepherd, who knows his sheep by name and keeps them safe. For the 6-9 year old child in Level Two, the focus is on the moral parables and the image of the True Vine: "I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing." In Level Three the 9-12 year old child focuses on the history of salvation, God's plan in history, and our response to God's generosity. Level III also adds the Hebrew Scriptures.

In addition to our regular Catechesis of the Good Shepherd classes, families also participate in our series of Intergenerational Formation Programs. Families also receive monthly updates, Faith Formation information, and articles related to growing in faith.

### Contact

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# Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Saint Catherine Parish + 2017-2018

*Catechesis of the Good Shepherd meets in our Atrium located in Saint Catherine School*

**Orientation & Welcome Pot-Luck Dinner – Monday September 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 pm**

Level One – Sunday Mornings (8:45 to 10:15)	Level Two & Three – Monday Evenings (6:15 to 8:00)
September 17 <sup>th</sup>	September 18 <sup>th</sup>
September 24 <sup>th</sup>	September 25 <sup>th</sup>
October 1 <sup>st</sup>	October 2 <sup>nd</sup>
<b>October 1<sup>st</sup> Family Program 4:30 pm</b>	<b>At Saint Sebastian</b>
October 8 <sup>th</sup>	October 9 <sup>th</sup>
October 22 <sup>nd</sup>	October 23 <sup>rd</sup>
October 29 <sup>th</sup>	October 30 <sup>th</sup>
November 5 <sup>th</sup>	November 6 <sup>th</sup>
November 12 <sup>th</sup>	November 13 <sup>th</sup>
November 19 <sup>th</sup>	November 20 <sup>th</sup>

**“Advent” Family Program at Saint Sebastian – Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm**

December 3 <sup>rd</sup>	December 4 <sup>th</sup>
<i>December 10<sup>th</sup> Celebration of</i>	<i>Our Lady of Guadalupe at Saint Catherine</i>
December 10 <sup>th</sup>	December 11 <sup>th</sup>
December 17 <sup>th</sup>	December 18 <sup>th</sup>

January 7 <sup>th</sup>	January 8 <sup>th</sup>
January 14 <sup>th</sup>	January 15 <sup>th</sup>
January 21 <sup>st</sup>	January 22 <sup>nd</sup>
January 28 <sup>th</sup>	January 29 <sup>th</sup>

**Ash Wednesday is February 14<sup>th</sup>**

February 4 <sup>th</sup>	February 5 <sup>th</sup>
February 11 <sup>th</sup>	February 12 <sup>th</sup>
February 25 <sup>th</sup>	February 26 <sup>th</sup>
March 4 <sup>th</sup>	March 5 <sup>th</sup>
March 11 <sup>th</sup>	March 12 <sup>th</sup>
<b>March 11<sup>th</sup> Family Program 4:30 pm</b>	<b>At Saint Sebastian</b>
March 18 <sup>th</sup>	March 19 <sup>th</sup>

**Living Stations of the Cross at Saint Catherine – Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 pm**

**Easter is Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**

April 15 <sup>th</sup>	April 16 <sup>th</sup>
April 22 <sup>nd</sup>	April 23 <sup>rd</sup>
May 6 <sup>th</sup>	May 7 <sup>th</sup>

**Closing Pot-Luck Dinner – Monday May 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 pm**

**June 3rd – Family Program at Saint Sebastian**





**Registration Information**  
**(Please PRINT all information):**

**Student's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ Male or Female

**Grade in Sept 2017** \_\_\_\_ School Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

**Program** (circle one)    K-6 Faith Formation    Youth Ministry    Catechesis Good

Shepherd

Has this student been Baptize in the Catholic Church?    Yes    No

Has this student celebrated First Communion?    Yes    No                      Reconciliation?    Yes    No

Does this student have any Special Needs / Allergies? Please explain briefly.

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**Photo Release**

I hereby grant permission to Saint Sebastian & Catherine Congregations, Milwaukee, WI, to use my child's photo for external publication on the Internet at Saints Sebastian or Catherine's websites or in any other official printed publications without further considerations, understanding that my child's full name will **not** be published on the Internet.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## FEES

## Amount

\$110.00 for one child	_____
\$190.00 for two children	_____
\$240.00 for three or more children	_____
Deduct SCRIP Credit if applicable	_____
Discount for Full Payment by August 27 <sup>th</sup>	_____ - \$25
TOTAL	_____

**Faith Formation fees are designed to defray part of the cost of materials and programs. No one is denied Faith Formation due to an inability to pay fees. If there is a concern, please contact Ed Duncklee, Sandra McCabe, or Father Larry to discuss reductions, special arrangements, or wavier of fees.**

**Please note that there are separate registrations and fees for Reconciliation/First Eucharist and Confirmation.**

Registrations and at least ¼ payment of Faith Formation fees are due by August 27<sup>th</sup>. Registrations paid in full by August 27<sup>th</sup> may deduct a \$25 discount. There will be a \$10 late fee assessed after September 15<sup>th</sup>.

Choose one of the following payment methods:

- Fee paid in full with registration by August 27<sup>th</sup> (Deduct \$25 discount)
- Two (2) equal payments...August 27<sup>th</sup> and January 15<sup>th</sup>
- Four (4) equal payments...August 27<sup>th</sup>, October 15<sup>th</sup>, January 15<sup>th</sup>, and March 15<sup>th</sup>

Please make checks payable to either Saint Sebastian or Saint Catherine Parish and remit to the parish Faith Formation Office by August 27<sup>th</sup>. Registration forms and payments can also be placed (in a sealed & marked envelope) in the Collection Basket at any Sunday Mass.

Please read, sign and return all documents to either:

- Saint Sebastian Parish, 5400 W. Washington Blvd., Milwaukee 53208
- Saint Catherine Parish, 5101 W. Center St., Milwaukee 53210