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St. Matthew Catholic Church Preschool & Kindergarten Faith Formation

The Early Years

These optional years are offered to support you in your child's faith development.

The nurturing of a child's faith takes place within the family. As the parents are the primary faith educator, during these early years it is our goal to enhance the child's learning by introducing the children to traditional Catholic prayer and worship. These early years are so important, as the foundation is being built for the child's future faith life. Joining together with their peers, the children will be immersed in their Catholic faith through an interactive curriculum which introduces them to the essential faith concepts and God's mighty love. Lessons are presented through stories, music, games, activities and crafts.



Pflaum Gospel Weeklies FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

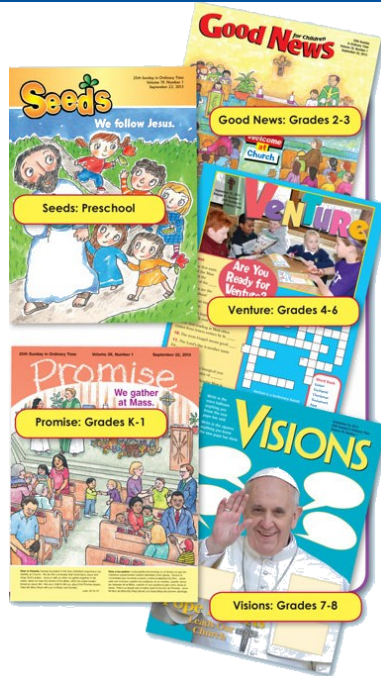
Why? The Sunday liturgy is the heart of the parish community. The weekly celebration is more meaningful to young people if they are familiar with the Gospel proclaimed each week. During class, the children hear the Gospel and participate in activities related to the Gospel. The message becomes familiar. They learn the Gospel. They love the Gospel. They live the Gospel.

What? This program takes the 'textbook' out of Faith Formation and instead immerses the children in the Gospel through hands-on activities, movement and real-life stories. PGW is written in 8-week editions, allowing the material to reflect current events, keeping it fresh and relevant for the children.

Preschool Series: Seeds

Kindergarten Series: Good News

We encourage you to subscribe to the Gospel at Home newsletter, and read the "Family Corner" within your child's weekly handout.



Sunday Preschool & Kindergarten

We welcome the children of our parish, to register and join us for Faith Formation during the **9 am and 10:45 am Masses**. Children must be 3, 4 or 5 by August 31, 2016 to enroll.*

**Children should be fully toilet trained as our facilities are not designed for diaper changing during class time.*

Weekday Kindergarten

Children in kindergarten are invited to register for our Sunday program or one of several sessions offered after school throughout the week.

Angel Choir



Children in our Sunday Program share the gift of song during Mass, the **third Sunday of Advent**.