



## Parents Sacramental Formation

Dear Parents,

The faith formation of a child begins at home and it is our responsibility and privilege as a catholic parent to continue to foster our faith through word and example. The daily witness of a parent’s love of Christ and His Church leaves the most profound influence on the faith life and formation of a child. The role of the parish and of the religious education program is to support and assist parents in the catechesis of their children as well as provide parents with opportunities for their faith formation.

While parents lay the critical foundation of faith formation, the religious education program promotes growth in a larger faith community by proclaiming Christ’s teachings, reinforcing catholic values and encouraging appropriate attitudes towards worship and prayer. **Therefore, families whose children are making sacraments this year, will meet the mandatory dates listed below:**

<b>Family Faith Gatherings</b>					
<b>SUNDAYS at St. Dismas (SD) or St. Anastasia (SA) Parishes - Beginning with 9:00 am Mass</b>					
<b>Followed by the Family Gathering from 10:00 – 11:30 am in Parish Hall</b>					
<i>GUEST SPEAKER FOR EACH SESSION</i>					
<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Topic</u>
September 30 <sup>th</sup>	SA	In the Light of the Word	January 6 <sup>th</sup>	SD	Trauma Across Borders
October 21 <sup>st</sup>	SD	Practice Love in the Family	February 10 <sup>th</sup>	SA	Ten Insights of Joy of Love
November 17 <sup>th</sup>	SA	Grandparents & Teens Relat.	March 3 <sup>th</sup>	SD	Lent: Time of Preparation
December 2 <sup>nd</sup>	SD	Advent: Time of Preparation	April 28 <sup>th</sup>	SD	Potluck / Certificates

Thank you for your support and cooperation. We are looking forward to assisting and supporting you, so your child receives the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ!

Together in Christ,

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