



DISCIPLESHIP FORMATION

October 2026

DIRECTOR'S DESK

In just a few days we will start our 2026-2027 year! We have great teachers returning, with the addition of a handful of new ones that are looking forward to spending class nights with your students. Please encourage your child to get to know their teachers, as they are an important part of their faith journey. I want to give a special welcome to those who are new this year! This newsletter is filled with a bunch of important information, so please look it over thoroughly.

KICKOFF NIGHT

Classes start on Wednesday, October 7th | Saints Peter & Paul Church

- **6th-8th Grade:** Open Gym 5:30-5:55pm (SSPP School Gym) | Class 6:00-7:00pm
- **9th-10th Grade:** Class 7:15-8:15pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **October 7** - Classes start!
- **October 10** - Youth Fun Night - Bonfire - 6:30-9:00 at SJ
- **October 21** - Class Night
- **November 1** - CALLED Youth Group - 6:30-8:00 at SSPP Youth Room
- **November 4** - Class Night
- **November 18** - Class Night
- **November 20** - Youth Fun Night

COMMUNICATION

- Each student is added to a group with all classmates in their grade, through our online database. Communication for anything class related will be sent through this group. It comes over from PushPay (the Church Communication platform). It is **VERY** important that you **do not unsubscribe** from emails, as this is the primary form of communication--including reminders, make up lessons, cancellations, etc.
- The system unfortunately still doesn't allow two emails to be added to a person, so the primary parent from registration will only get these emails through the online platform. Please forward these emails to the secondary parent, if it's needed.
- Because Monthly Newsletters are filled with a lot of important information, it is sent to BOTH parents listed from registration through Outlook. If you didn't list them when registering, they won't be on the distribution list.
- If you need any changes made to the primary parent on file or have a secondary parent that isn't getting our Monthly Newsletter and wants to be, please let me know.

BEHAVIOR POLICY

- Students are expected to conduct themselves with respect toward their peers, teachers, and parish staff at all times.
- Cellphones are not permitted during large-group announcements or activities, or within the classroom setting.
- Failure to comply with this policy will be addressed as follows:
 - **First Instance:** The student will receive a verbal warning.
 - **Second Instance:** The student will be pulled aside for a conversation with the director or priest on site.
 - **Third Instance:** The student's parents will be contacted to arrange for pickup.

2026-2027 SCHEDULE

- **Grades 6-8** meet on the **1st & 3rd Wednesday** of the month, at Saints Peter & Paul Church from **6:00-7:00pm**. **Open gym is at 5:30-5:55pm at Saints Peter & Paul School gym.**
- **Grades 9-10** meet on the **1st & 3rd Wednesday** of the month, at Saints Peter & Paul Church from **7:15-8:15pm**.
- **Grades 6-9**

October 7	January 6
October 21	January 20
November 4	February 3
November 18	February 17
December 2 - Advent Confessions	March 3 - Lent Confessions
December 16	March 17
	April 7
	April 21

- **Grade 10**

October 7	January 6
October 21	January 20
November 4	February 3
November 18	February 17
December 2 - Advent Confessions	February 20 - Retreat Day
December 16	March 3 - Lent Confessions
	March 17
	April 7

SAVE THE DATES

- **Advent Confessions will be held on December 2** at Saints Peter & Paul.
 - Grades 6-8 at 6:00pm
 - Grades 9-10 at 7:15pm
- **Lent Confessions will be held on March 3** at Saints Peter & Paul.
 - Grades 6-8 at 6:00pm
 - Grades 9-10 at 7:15pm
- **10th Grade Confirmation ONLY:**
 - The Centered on Christ Retreat Day is planned for **February 20**. Attending a Diocesan Retreat is **required to be confirmed**.
 - **Confirmation** will be held on **Sunday, April 11 at 3:00pm at Saint Boniface**. **Confirmation practice** will be held **prior** to mass on **April 11 at 1:15pm**.

CALLED

Has your teen been looking for a place where they can simply come as they are? A place to build friendships, ask honest questions, grow closer to Jesus, and just enjoy being with other teens who want the same? That's exactly why I created CALLED. CALLED is more than another night of class. It's a monthly gathering where middle and high school students can belong, grow in their faith, share life together, and have fun along the way.

Our next **CALLED Gathering** will be **Sunday, November 1, from 6:30-8:00 p.m.** in the **SSPP Youth Room** for anyone in **grades 6-12**. No sign-up is needed—just come. You Belong Here!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Service Opportunities are always listed in the Bulletin each week. Students who will be in 9th and 10th grade in the Fall can start earning their Service Hours once Summer starts. Middle School students are not required to complete Service Hours, but it is a good habit for them to start!

Confirmation students are required to complete at least **9 Service Hours each year**, for a **total of 18** by the time of Confirmation. The 9 Service Hours needed are broken into 3 categories:

- **Mass**-participation in Mass (greeting, reading, gifts, cross bearer, music, etc.)
- **Church**-volunteering at events a Church puts on (BoniFest, Donut Sunday, Turkey Bingo).
- **Community**-volunteering at anything outside of Church within the Community.

Here are a few currently available through the Centered on Christ Catholic Community:

- **Yard Cleanup (Community)** - A couple elderly families are looking for volunteers to help with yard cleanup, please let Kaly know, if interested.
- **Mass Greeters (Mass)** - Families are encouraged to greet at weekend Masses at SB and SSPP. Simply arrive 15-20 minutes early, find the scheduled greeter (SB in the Narthex; SSPP in the back of church), and let them know you would like to help. Then all that's left to do is warmly welcome people to Mass!
- **Youth Led Mass (Mass)** - Save the date for our next Youth Led Mass for the school year - **Saturday, November 14 at 4:00 pm** at Saint Boniface. Sign up here: [Youth Led Mass](#)
- **CLOW (Mass)** - Children's Liturgy of the Word at SB and SSPP. If interested, simply walk up with the little kids and the adults will know you're there to help!

YOUTH COUNCIL

Come join our Youth Council! The Youth Council helps plan and coordinate our Youth Fun Nights and are your voice for all youth related things in our ACC. Let me know after class if you're interested in joining!

YOUTH ROOM

September's Newlsetter mentioned the need for some tender loving care for our Youth Room at Saints Peter & Paul. I'm happy to report that Tom Kraemer Inc. donated a dumpster and we were able to get rid of most of the old furniture and other items down there that have seen their better days. We had new furniture purchased, as well as newer furniture donated. We also had some awesome help from the community (many of you)--THANK YOU! The space is almost complete, but we are just looking for additional pieces to help "elevate" the space even more. A couple students suggested an Amazon Wishlist to help. We've had a lot of items purchased for it, but there are still some items remaining that we'd love to add to the room. If you're able to help, please take a look at the list. I can't wait for you all to see it!



Amazon Wish List: [Youth Room Wish List](#)

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