

SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

AROUND THE CATHEDRAL

2020-2021 Family of Faith Registration Now Open!

Family of Faith is the Cathedral parish whole family catechetical process. Parents attend a monthly workshop where they learn through teaching, discussion and activities while their children are participating in age-appropriate and fun activities. Then parents teach their children at home with lessons and activities that involve the whole family. Each month families come together for fun events to help them develop into a community of families who pray together, support each other, and live the life of discipleship together.

All adults of the parish are invited to attend the monthly teaching sessions, but special invitation is extended to parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, guardians, young couples preparing for marriage - anyone who has or will have responsibility for passing on the faith to children. This faith formation opportunity is open to parents of babies and toddlers and children in grades K-8. If you send your child to public school, Catholic school or you home school, this is the place for you!

We are excited to begin a new year with Family of Faith but want to move forward prudently. In September, Cathedral priests will make home visits to all our families to meet each other and talk about a parent's role in faith formation. They will also deliver all the books and resources we have for you this year. Please call if you know when you would like to schedule a visit, or you can wait for one of our priests to call you. Beginning in October, we will schedule monthly teaching meetings. Parents can spread throughout the atrium and children will meet with catechists in small groups. We will not be planning any community meetings until we can manage this safely.

Registration will be open throughout August. Please fill out the form on our website (<https://spicathedral.org/family-of-faith/>) if you haven't already received a registration packet and one will be sent for you to complete. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to the Parish Office at 217-522-3342.

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National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

Please join the Springfield Right to Life for a prayer service on Saturday, September 12, 2020, from 11 am to 12 pm to honor the children whose lives have been taken too soon by abortion. This will be a solemn memorial service in memory of God's precious children. It will take place in front of Planned Parenthood, the very location that ends these innocent children's lives for the sake of selfishness, convenience, and greed. White crosses will be placed on the city property between the sidewalk and the street. Pastors and prayer warriors will be invited to speak. Those who wish to bring flowers to place by the crosses are encouraged to do so. Lawn chairs are welcome. Cold bottled water will be provided.

Cub Scout Pack 31 Catholic Family Scouting

For 75 years Cub Scout Pack 31 has offered Catholic Family Scouting. We'd like to extend an invitation this year to boys and girls in 1st through 5th grade in joining our pack. Participate in our "Come and See: Fishing and Knot Tying Clinic" event, September 12, 9am - 12pm at Southwind Park. We will always comply with county, state, federal, and council COVID19 guidelines. Sign up at bit.ly/Pack31Fishing or for more information email blessedsacramentpack31@gmail.com. Can't wait to see you there!

Fr. Franzen Memorial Golf Outing

The public is invited to join St. Joseph the Worker for our 12th Annual Fr. Franzen Memorial Golf Tournament at Edgewood Golf Course in Auburn, IL. This event has been rescheduled for September 27. Details and an updated brochure can be found on our website: <https://www.stjoschatham.org/fr--franzen-memorial-golf-outing>.

Live the Gospel of Life

Join Bishop Paprocki in the Diocesan Respect Life Mass and Rosary Walk on October 10, 2020, at Holy Family Church, 2606 Washington Avenue, Granite City, Illinois. Mass begins at 9:00am, celebrated by Bishop Paprocki, with the Rosary Walk, Prayer Vigil, and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following at 10:15am. After the Vigil and Benediction, lunch will be provided at Holy Family Church with Guest Speaker Cara Paschal, Executive Director of Thrive Metro-East. This event is supported by the Annual Catholic Services Appeal. To ensure the health of all attendees, guidelines set by the Center for Disease Control and the Thomistic Institute at the Pontifical Faculty of the Dominican House of Studies in Washington, D.C. will be followed.