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Family of Faith Ministry

<https://www.saintjosephmsj.org/discipleship/family-of-faith/>

PreK- Grade 8, Sacramental Preparation (Reconciliation & Communion), and Adaptive Faith (AF)

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Registration Form for September, 2023- May, 2024

FAMILY OF FAITH MINISTRY (FFM) & ADAPTIVE FAITH (AF)- Year 3, *Life in Christ*

Families are the central focus of the **St. Joseph Family of Faith Ministry (FFM)**. FFM is an effective family-based program that provides catechists, parents, and children with resources and guidance in catechesis for the whole family. This is a 4-year series that follows the four pillars of the ***Catechism of the Catholic Church***. Once a family has gone through all four years, the cycle simply begins again when the children are four years older. We believe faith begins in the home and parents are the primary educators and role models of the faith for their children. Their role in the formation of Christian values in their children is irreplaceable. Parents become more confident in sharing their faith with their children, encourage their children's emerging faith, and nourish a life of faith. We believe that the stronger the parent/child engagement is in the Faith, the more effectively children will mature into authentic and life-long disciples of Jesus Christ. Families are engaged, come together, and grow in relationship with one another.

ADAPTIVE FAITH: Recognizing the beauty and presence of God in each person, our Family of Faith Ministry program welcomes children of all abilities. We are blessed to have dedicated Catechists with Special Education and inclusion experience. We work together and recognize each child's unique talents, abilities, and special needs.

EXPECTATIONS: We are here to partner with and support parents in their role. The success of the program relies on this partnership and a commitment to the following:

1. **GATHERING AS ONE:** Weekly, family attendance at the **12:00 pm- 1:00 pm Family of Faith Mass**. Families have an opportunity and are encouraged to serve during the Mass as greeters, choir members, ushers, lectors, altar servers, and bringing the offertory gifts to the altar.
2. **PARTICIPATE AND TEACH:** Monthly attendance of the parent and children's sessions with Father Anthony and FFM catechists. These once-a-month sessions fall on the **1st Sunday of every month, 1:15 pm-2:15pm**. Parents teach, share, and work with their children at home using what they have learned from the sessions, the Family of Faith books & weekly pacing guide, and other materials provided by the children's catechists.
3. **LIVING OUT OUR MISSION AND SERVING OTHERS:** Participate in St. Joseph's FFM Family Bonding Sundays, Community Outreach, and Activities.
4. Practice daily family prayer at home such as grace before meals, reading and praying scripture, and learning about the lives of the saints.
5. For new families to FFM, please submit a copy of your child(ren)'s Baptismal certificate.

FAMILY OF FAITH- CHINESE COMMUNITY

This program is available, as a supplement, for families whose primary language is Chinese. Children sessions are conducted in both Mandarin and English and parent sessions are conducted in Mandarin.

EXPECTATIONS: In addition to the Family of Faith expectations, described above, the FFM Chinese Community program requires the following commitment:

Monthly attendance of the parent and children's sessions with FFM Chinese Community catechists. These once-a-month sessions fall on the **second Sunday of every month, 3:30 pm-4:30 pm**. Parents teach, share, and work with their children at home using what they have learned from the sessions, the Family of Faith books & weekly pacing guide, and other materials provided by the children's catechists.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION (SAC PREP)

The Sacramental Preparation (Sac Prep) program provides preparation for the first reception of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist for children of St. Joseph/Old Mission San Jose. This program is for children in 2nd grade and upper grades who didn't receive these two sacraments when they were in the second grade.

Sac Prep is a 2-year program and children can enroll after attending at least one year in FFM. Sac Prep deepens the children's understanding of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist and helps children grow closer in their relationship with Jesus and with the church community.

EXPECTATIONS: In addition to the Family of Faith expectations, described above, the Sac Prep program requires the following commitment:

1. Monthly attendance of the parent and children's sessions with Father Anthony and FFM catechists. These once-a-month sessions fall on the **3rd Sunday of every month, 1:15 pm-2:15 pm**. Parents teach, share, and work with their children at home using what they have learned from the sessions, the Reconciliation and the Eucharist activity books, and other materials provided by the children's catechists.
2. Parents/ Child(ren) attend the First Reconciliation Retreat/ practice and First Reconciliation prayer service to receive the Sacrament.
3. Parents/ Child(ren) attend the First Holy Communion Retreat, rehearsal, First Holy Communion Mass in **June, 2024** to receive the Sacrament, and participate in the Corpus Christi procession/ Benediction following Mass.
4. Child(ren) learn, recite, and demonstrate understanding of: The Sign of the Cross, Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be, Grace before meals, Act of Contrition, the Ten Commandments, Seven Sacraments, Steps of going to confession, and be familiar with the responses during Mass.
5. For new families to FFM, please submit a copy of your child(ren)'s **Baptismal certificate AND 2"x3" photo**.

FAMILY INFORMATION

We are a: _____ Returning Family _____ New Family

Are you registered parishioners at St. Joseph? Yes _____: No _____ If not, where are you registered? _____

FATHER/GUARDIAN		MOTHER/GUARDIAN	
First Name: _____	Last Name: _____	First Name: _____	Last Name: _____
Address: _____		Address: _____	
City: _____	Zip: _____	City: _____	Zip: _____
Email: _____		Email: _____	
Cell Phone: _____	Religion: _____	Cell Phone: _____	Religion: _____
If you are Catholic, check the Sacraments you have received: ___ Baptism ___ Eucharist ___ Confirmation ___ Married in Church ___ None		If you are Catholic, check the Sacraments you have received: ___ Baptism ___ Eucharist ___ Confirmation ___ Married in Church ___ None	
Are you interested in completing any missing Sacraments? ___ Yes ___ No		Are you interested in completing any missing Sacraments? ___ Yes ___ No	

Child/ren live/s with: ☐ Both Parents, 1 household
☐ Both Parents, 2 households
☐ Father only
☐ Mother only

EMERGENCY CONTACT (not parent/legal guardian)

Name: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Relation to Child: _____

STUDENT INFORMATION**1st CHILD: Check grade and/or program choice.**☐ PreK ☐ Kinder ☐ Gr 1 ☐ Gr 2 ☐ Gr 3 ☐ Gr 4☐ Gr 5 ☐ Gr 6 ☐ Grade 7 ☐ Grade 8☐ Sacramental Prep ☐ Adaptive Faith

Full Name _____

Birthdate _____

Current School _____

Gender _____ Age _____

Circle Sacraments already received:Baptism ☐ Reconciliation ☐ First Communion ☐ None ☐

Any special challenges/considerations we should be aware of?

☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please explain: _____

2nd CHILD: Check grade and/or program choice.☐ PreK ☐ Kinder ☐ Gr 1 ☐ Gr 2 ☐ Gr 3 ☐ Gr 4☐ Gr 5 ☐ Gr 6 ☐ Grade 7 ☐ Grade 8☐ Sacramental Prep ☐ Adaptive Faith

Full Name _____

Birthdate _____

Current School _____

Gender _____ Age _____

Circle Sacraments already received:Baptism ☐ Reconciliation ☐ First Communion ☐ None ☐

Any special challenges/considerations we should be aware of?

☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please explain: _____

3rd CHILD: Check grade and/or program choice.☐ PreK ☐ Kinder ☐ Gr 1 ☐ Gr 2 ☐ Gr 3 ☐ Gr 4☐ Gr 5 ☐ Gr 6 ☐ Grade 7 ☐ Grade 8☐ Sacramental Prep ☐ Adaptive Faith (children with special needs)

Full Name _____

Birthdate _____

Current School _____

Gender _____ Age _____

Circle Sacraments already received:Baptism ☐ Reconciliation ☐ First Communion ☐ None ☐

Any special challenges/considerations we should be aware of?

☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please explain: _____

4th CHILD: Check grade and/or program choice.☐ PreK ☐ Kinder ☐ Gr 1 ☐ Gr 2 ☐ Gr 3 ☐ Gr 4☐ Gr 5 ☐ Gr 6 ☐ Grade 7 ☐ Grade 8☐ Sacramental Prep ☐ Adaptive Faith (children with special needs)

Full Name _____

Birthdate _____

Current School _____

Gender _____ Age _____

Circle Sacraments already received:Baptism ☐ Reconciliation ☐ First Communion ☐ None ☐

Any special challenges/considerations we should be aware of?

☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please explain: _____

I/We agree with the expectations of the Family of Faith program(s) and understand FFM can only complement and support my/our efforts to educate my/our child(ren) to the Catholic faith. **Parent(s) Initials:** _____/_____

Family Participation & Donation

The success of our program(s) is dependent on the generous participation of all families. Please check all the boxes for the teams your family may be interested in assisting throughout the year. **You will be contacted by FFM for more detailed information.**

**** Family of Faith Teams:**

- ☐ **Liturgical team:** Coordinate/ assist FFM 12:00 noon Mass family volunteers—Greeters, Ushers, Lectors, and Offertory.
- ☐ **Hospitality team:** Coordinate/ assist snacks/beverages during Children & Parent sessions.
- ☐ **Prayer team:** Join the team in praying for our Family of Faith Ministry and special family intentions.
- ☐ **Outreach/ Activities team:** Coordinate/ assist in St. Joseph Parish outreach and activities for our church community.

Materials/Supplies provided by the Family of Faith Ministry for each NEW registered family:

- (1) Parent Guide (**A Family of Faith, Vol. III**) English
- (1) Activity Book for each child (**A Family of Faith, Vol. III**) English
- (1) Catholic Bible - **New American Bible**
- (1) **Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)**
- (1) Tote bag with Saint Joseph Church/Mission San Jose logo

FFM Registration Donation:

\$200.00 Per family with one student

\$ 50.00 Each additional sibling

Sacrament Preparation:

\$150.00 Each student

\$ 50.00 Each additional sibling

**** Please print the child(ren)'s name(s) that will be written on their certificate(s):**

1. _____

2. _____

Checks payable to: St. Joseph Parish

(memo line – FFM and/or Sac Prep)

Family Name _____

Date _____

Cash Amt. \$ _____ Check # _____ Amt. \$ _____

Balance Due \$ _____

Office Use: PAID IN FULL _____



Diocese of Oakland
PARENTAL PERMISSION & HEALTH AUTHORIZATION RELEASE FORM
(Please fill out one form for each child)

Child' Name _____ Parish _____

Address _____ Phone _____

School _____ Grade _____ Birth date _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____ Home Phone _____

Address _____

Work phone _____ Cellphone _____

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, NOTIFY PERSON/S OTHER THAN PARENT/GUARDIAN

NAME/S (print clearly)	CELLPHONE/S	RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT
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HEALTH AND MEDICAL INFORMATION

Family Physician _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Medical Plan _____ Plan Number _____

Do you authorize the adult leader to authorize medical treatment for your child in an emergency, as considered necessary by the attending physician? ____ Yes ____ No

State any reasons why you do not want medical care given to your child in an emergency:

Is your child allergic to any foods (i.e., peanuts, dairy, seafood...) Please list.

List all conditions (such as allergies, seizures) for which your child requires ongoing medication and state the type and frequency of medication given:

Has your child had difficulty with the following (circle all that applies):

Asthma Fainting Spells Convulsions Diabetes Heart Eyes Ears Nose Throat Lungs Digestion

Menstrual Problems Others _____

List any physical restriction for any activity based on medical condition: _____

State the date of your child's last physical examination _____

Parental Permission and Acknowledgement of Conditions for Participating in Program

(Please fill out one form for each student)

Child's Name _____

1. I/we, parent or authorized guardian of the child named above give permission for his/her participation in **St. Joseph Parish Family of Faith Ministry**, and all related activities, including but not limited to transportation to and from the Family of Faith Ministry activities
2. I/we agree to direct my/our child to cooperate and comply with reasonable directions and instructions from the Family of Faith Ministry Staff or adult volunteer leaders.
3. I/we agree to be responsible for all medical expenses relating to injury of my/our child as a result of his/her participation in the program activities, whether or not caused by the negligence of parish Family of Faith Ministry employees, agents, volunteers or other participants.
4. I/we understand that children participating in Family of Faith Ministry activities risk injury to the body, psyche or property damage to themselves and others. Such injuries can be caused by other persons or accidentally or intentionally self-inflicted, faulty equipment or facilities, conditions of recreational facilities, vehicle accidents while in transport or through the activity itself.

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

In consideration for being permitted to participate in the activities of **St. Joseph Parish Family of Faith Ministry**, use the equipment provided and to enter the premises or facilities of the Diocese of Oakland (Diocese) for any purpose including observation and participation in activities, the parent or guardian for him or herself and any successors in interest and on behalf of the minor child agrees:

1. To release, waive, discharge and promise not to sue the Diocese of Oakland, and its affiliated entities, its officers, directors, employees, agents and volunteers (hereafter referred to as "Releasees") from all liability for any loss or damage, and any claim or demands therefore on account of serious or mortal injury to the body, injury to psyche or property of the minor child, or undersigned parent or guardian, whether caused by negligence or other conduct by the Releasees while the minor child, parent or guardian is participating the Family of Faith Ministry of St. Joseph Parish/Old Mission San Jose or in, upon or about the premises of the Diocese or any of its facilities or equipment.
2. To indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any loss, liability, damage or cost it may incur due to the presence of the minor child, parent, guardian in, upon or about the premises of the Diocese, its facilities or equipment, or while participating in any Family of Faith Ministry activities whether caused by the negligence of Releasees or otherwise.
3. That the parent or guardian has read this Agreement, voluntarily signs the Agreement and that no oral representations, statements, or inducements apart from the contents of this written Agreement have been made.

MODEL RELEASE STATEMENT

I/We hereby **(circle one)** GRANT/DECLINE permission for my child/ren named on this registration form to be photographed and/or videotaped during Family of Faith Ministry activities/events; and for the resulting photographs and/or videotaped footage to be edited, if necessary, and be published and/or broadcast (newspaper, church bulletin, church/diocesan website, etc.) for the purpose of promoting the activities of **St. Joseph Parish/Old Mission San Jose**.

I have read this Agreement and understand everything written above.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date