

Adult Faith Formation Sessions

Sunday Mornings/Sunday Evenings
2009-2010

Topic

Time

December 2009

- 12/13 – Surviving Life Transitions - 6:30 – 8:00 pm

January 2010

- 1/10 – Raising a Faith-filled Child in a Consumer Society - 10:00 am or 6:30 pm

February 2010

- 2/21 – How to Pray as a Family - 10:00 am or 6:30 pm

March 2010

- 3/14 – How to Raise your Child with Faith as a Single Parent -10:00 am or 6:30 pm

April 2010

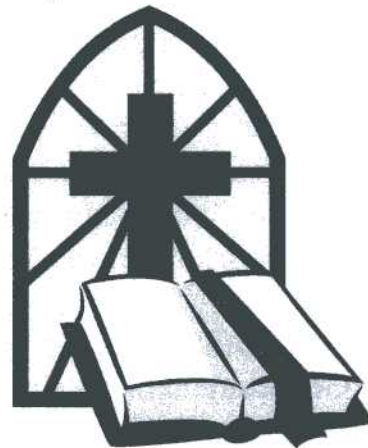
- 4/11 – Coping with Grief - 6:30 – 8:00 pm

May 2010

- 5/16 – Church Annulments - 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Monthly Session Agenda Includes:

- Prayer
- DVD, Video or Speaker Presentation
- Led by Guest Speaker or Parish Facilitator
- Questions and Answers
- Refreshments
- Detailed information in future bulletins



Join us for Faith and Fellowship! Open to the Community-Bring a friend!

Rev. 11/10/2009

Dear Parishioners,

In my time at St. Anthony's we have been a very active parish. Our Religious Education Program and our Youth Ministry Program are very good and effective programs for our young people. One area lacking has been Adult Education. We have had occasional programs but nothing on an ongoing basis.

Last year we applied for and received a grant from the Diocese of Buffalo to use for Adult Education. We have already begun to have programs, like the Living Waters program, "Glory." We are going to try to have at least one presentation a month for Adult Education. We hope the topics will help you to live your faith and deepen your relationship with God.

When we raise children, we recognize the need to educate them both spiritually and academically. Many of us continue our academic education with occasional classes or reading and if we are in certain professions, we know that continuing education is a requirement. Sadly, a number of people do not see the need to continue to grow spiritually. I am certainly a different person now than I was when I left the seminary. I am different than I was 10 years ago. My spirituality should reflect the changes in my life. If I want to continue to deepen my relationship with God, I must put effort into growing spiritually. Adult Education is not so much an academic endeavor as a way to grow spiritually, a way to deepen our relationship with the Lord.

I ask you to consider your own spiritual life. Have you grown or changed in any way? Are you spiritually stuck where you were 5, 10 or even more years ago? We have an opportunity to begin to change, to grow, to develop our spirituality. Please take this opportunity to grow in Christ.

I hope and pray that you will come to understand that deepening your relationship with God is the most important task in your life. I hope and pray that you will take advantage of the opportunities we will be offering and other opportunities offered in the diocese to deepen your spirituality.

Let us continue to grow together in the Lord. Let us try to reflect the Image of God more and more in all we say and do. God Bless.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fr. Jim". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Fr. Jim

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