

# **Week of September 6th**

## **Announcements and Updates at St. Mary Parish**

### **Family Faith Formation Announcements**

We are pleased to announce that over 100 families have registered for Family Faith Formation. We hope and pray to double those numbers by the end of September. Here are the information and registration links:

Family Faith Formation Information link: <https://www.stmarysfranklin.org/familyfaithformation>

Family Faith Formation Registration link: <https://www.stmarysfranklin.org/re-registration>

Our Family Faith Formation and Youth Ministry programs are in search for volunteers. Whether you are five years old or 95 years old - WE NEED YOU! Please come share your gifts and talents with our parish. All of our programs will be better with you as one of our volunteers. Please use the QR Code at the bottom of this email for more information on volunteering. Thank you for your consideration.

The Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Office is looking to hire a part-time administrative assistant for about 18 hours a week. The administrative assistant will be coordinating registration for all of our programs, prepare materials for Family Faith Formation, Youth Ministry and Sacramental Preparation Programs, welcoming all visitors that visit our office and holding office hours each week. Please reach out to Jim Flanagan if you would like a copy of the job description or if you are interested in the position.

Fr. Bob and I videoed our first Podcast last week. The first episode focused on our new Family Faith Formation Program. We believe that we answered many of the questions and concerns about this new program. We encourage everyone to view the Podcast and then let us know what you think and/or if you have any questions or concerns. Here is the link: <https://youtu.be/ca8Aoyfe5gY>

### **For those Receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on October 24**

#### **Sacrament of Confirmation**

Saturday, October 24th

10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

Fr. Scott Euvrard - Episcopal Vicar for the West Region will confirm the candidates

#### **This year - candidates will sign-up for the ceremony that works best for the family**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044CA5AB2FA4F5C07-65327956-sacrament>

Sign-ups will be open until September 10th

### **Important Dates**

#### **A Night of Reflection for Candidates with Sponsor and/or Parent(s)**

Night will include Mass, Dinner, Reflection and Prayer

Sunday, September 20th and Sunday, September 27th

5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Pick one evening - A Sign-up Genius will go out on September 10<sup>th</sup>

## **Mass and Confirmation Rehearsal**

Sunday, October 18th

10:00 a.m. Ceremony - 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (includes 5:00 p.m. Mass)

12:00 p.m. Ceremony - 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. (includes 5:00 p.m. Mass)

## **Youth Ministry**

High School Young People - 5:00 p.m. Mass and Hangout on Sunday (September 6th) from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. After Mass - there will be food, games and prizes. Rain or Shine! Bring friends!!

High School Young People - Join us on Thursdays for Adoration from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in Sacred Heart Chapel. Come for 10 minutes or for the entire hour. Immediately after Adoration - we will have a Fire Pit and s'mores until 9:00 p.m. All are welcome!

Middle School and High School Young People - Six Flags New England Trip - Saturday, September 12th. Please check out the details in the flyer below.

## **For all St. Mary Staff and Volunteers**

The mandate of the Archdiocese of Boston is that staff members and every volunteer (no matter the role) must fill out a CORI form each year and they must take the VIRTUS - Protecting God's Children Training. If it was left to me - every adult in the parish would be very much encouraged to take this training. It is so helpful for all of us to know the signs of possible abuse to children or vulnerable adults. Leo Racine will be offering two trainings in September.

Sunday, September 13th starting at 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 16th starting at 6:00 p.m.