

Welcome to Basics of Catholicism!

We are filled with joy that you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith! We want to be with you as you enter into this journey and learn more about a life of faith, about yourself, and about the Catholic Church. Each person has their own history and story of what brings them here, and regardless of what that story is, we want to help you take the next steps in your life of faith.

Classes begin on September 24th and will be once a week on Tuesdays at 6:30pm throughout the school year. Our pastor, Fr. Evans, and Basics of Catholicism Educator, Jen Sagel, teach the class, with an occasional guest speaker. The classes are intended for anyone who:

- Is interested in becoming Catholic
- Has not received all of their sacraments but would like to
- Wants a refresher on essential Catholic teaching

There are a variety of subjects that are taught in an organized and intentional approach to help build a strong foundation for understanding God and His plan for each of us. Some of the class topics are: Divine Revelation, The Bible, The Story of Salvation, Who is Jesus, The Holy Spirit, Understanding the Sacraments, Mary and the Saints. There is no homework or regularly assigned reading.

Basics of Catholicism classes will conclude at Easter. Some people will be ready to receive sacraments at that time, and some will not, but regardless of whether you do or not, we will be with you to accompany you on your faith journey. Everyone is on their own timeline and journey, so we honor each individual circumstance and take things one step at a time.

In an effort to help you acclimate to these classes and the Catholic faith in general, we have included some helpful resources for you. Please look through them and use whatever is helpful for you. We do encourage you to begin getting involved in the parish community as much as you are able. After helping many people through this process, we have found that those individuals who attend Sunday Mass, find a committee to volunteer with, and attend parish events are more likely to have a more abundant faith experience.

Please reach out with any questions or concerns you have. We are here to help, and helping you to discover God and His Church brings us great joy!

In Christ's Love,

Fr. Evans and Jen Sagel