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A note from Fr. Jake

I hope and pray that this edition of the Victory Voice finds you and your family doing well. It's hard to believe that March is over, and April is here. This means that we will have a flurry of activity coming up in the parish with the celebrations of Easter, First Communion, and Confirmation. Please keep those who will be receiving the Sacraments of Initiation in your prayers. The elect, candidates, second graders and eighth graders have been working hard in preparation for the reception of these Sacraments, and our prayers will undoubtedly help them in these final days before these celebrations. May God bless them and their families abundantly through these celebrations!

With Holy Week just a few days away, I want to share our parish's schedule for Holy Week and Easter Week one more time for your information:



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday Mass: April 14th 7:00pm
Good Friday Eucharist: April 15th, 3:00pm and 7:00pm
Easter Vigil: April 16th, 8:30pm
Easter Sunday Masses: April 17th, 7:00am, 9:00am and 11am

Virtual Parish Mission for Easter

Three Videos will be available at 6:00pm on Easter Monday, Easter Tuesday, and Easter Wednesday

If you have any questions about Holy Week or any upcoming liturgies or events, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office.

This Spring we are also beginning the celebration of the 60th anniversary of our parish with the OLV/JFK Gala.

As you can see from the enclosed card, there are six different events scheduled to mark this important year in the life of our parish. The largest event will be the 60th anniversary party that is scheduled for Sunday, September 18th. More information will be coming out for all of the events that are planned for 2022 and 2023, but parish leadership wanted to make sure that you had the dates for your personal planning. There will also be communication about the history of our parish and school through the coming year where we celebrate the amazing things that God has done here in Northwest Davenport.

Finally, inside this edition of the Victory Voice you will read that Evan Brankin, the Coordinator for Youth Ministry, is going to be leaving his position this Spring. Please keep him, his wife, Karina, and their two children in your prayers during this time of transition. If you see him, please also thank him for his next to six years of ministry here at OLV.

We are still looking to fill the Coordinator of Youth Ministry position here in the parish, so if you know of someone who might be interested in this position, please have them contact me at my email, greinerj@diodav.org, or the parish office, 563-391-4245. Our parish is looking for a mature Catholic with youth ministry experience to fill this position, but we are also willing to help someone get the necessary training if this individual is the right candidate.

Have a blessed Easter! Our Lady of Victory, pray for us!





Our Lady of Victory Foundation

- Mike Lazio

Happy Easter from Your Foundation

As we celebrate the Easter Season, we pause once again to give thanks for our blessings and the people in our lives. We continue to weather COVID-19 and its fatigue. Pause, catch your breath and inhale some fresh spring air after another winter chill. As we hopefully transition from a pandemic to an endemic, we are mindful of how much our loved ones mean to us all!

Jesus' resurrection remains the most significant wonder of our Christian faith. His word to all is that anything is possible. Christmas introduces us to Him but Easter is the miracle that perfects our beliefs. Without Easter, our lives would be incomplete. As spring follows winter, we now begin to consider the rebirth of all nature offers and its awesome beauty.

Have you planted the seeds for your legacy? Have you considered watering our ongoing crop of investments? The state of their union is solid. Our accounts are safe, secure and with your help, will blossom into more abundant fruit for the parish. We welcome you to join the many parishioner donors by contributing to the OLV Foundation. We are here throughout the seasonal changes to assist and enhance our parish's mission. The Foundation brightens our lives by making it possible for Our Lady of Victory to live Christ's message. Past performance does not guarantee future success. However, we exist for the long haul. Our wonderful track record since 1989 continues to illuminate our prudent management as Jesus's resurrection brought light into the world.

The Foundation's success is contingent upon and only possible because of the generosity of all who have made a gift to it. Regardless of the size your treasure, all charitable offerings are welcome! We are proud of our accomplishments. We are gradually growing towards a harvest of \$2 million in our seed catalog. It requires careful and continuous fertilization to make our plantings strive to reach the sky as its limit. Your efforts are most worthwhile as we look forward to an Easter Season of growth and new life. Spring rains, warmer temps and more sunshine will assist our seedlings become a bountiful harvest. We pray your lives will return to whatever you define as normal. We are hopeful that our annual Harvest Day Dinner will return this autumn to highlight a joyous occasion for 2022.

Please contact any Board member or Father Jake if you have any questions about participating in our long-term goals. May God's blessings continue to descend upon you and your families at this Easter Season. May it be so.



Thank you Volunteers!

-Judy Johnson



Bulletin Stuffers, Kathy Snider, Tom Lotspeich, and Rita Snider, meet weekly to manage the mailing of bulletins sent to homebound parishioners. They also insert relevant fliers and other special materials whenever needed. Here they are stapling envelopes for "Ukraine Relief" inside the back cover to keep them from slipping out unnoticed. While working Rita spoke of her role as a fun, rewarding way to serve the parish and help those who can't be physically present at church feel connected to this community. We thank them for their service and applaud their fine example of good stewardship in a little known, under the radar kind of way!



Social Action Christian Service

- Jean Simpson

Lent *Laudato Si* "Less is Blessed"

Lent is a period of penitential preparation for Easter. A 40-day fast in imitation of Jesus Christ's fasting in the wilderness before he began his public ministry. Be still and know God. Release want and reconnect with our deepest spiritual need to be united with God. To explore our limitations and our Grace with infinite wonder of God.

The Iowa Catholic Conference reminds us, "We are stewards of God's Creation."

One of the seven core principles of Catholic Social Teaching as identified by the U.S. bishops is "care for creation." We show our respect for the Creator by our stewardship of creation. Care for the earth is not just an Earth Day slogan, it is a requirement of our faith. We are called to protect people and the planet, living our faith in relationship with all of God's creation. - <https://iowacatholicconference.org/care-for-creation/>

Diocese of Davenport reminds us of 'A Mystery to Be Lived' in *Laudato Si* 236. It is in the Eucharist that all that has been created finds its greatest exaltation. Grace, which tends to manifest itself tangibly, found unsurpassable expression when God himself became man and gave himself as food. - <https://www.davenportdiocese.org>

Ecospirituality is a manifestation of the spiritual connection between human beings and the environment. Ecospirituality incorporates an intuitive and embodied awareness of all life and engages a relational view of person to planet, inner to outer landscape, and soul to soil.

"Ecospirituality: relating to the Mystery we call God, living and acting in creation and all life within it; dealing with the interrelationship between physical realities and their inner and outer environment; integrating the Universe Story, the Great Work, evolving consciousness, the divine life within all creation, current threats to creation, and Christian (or other) faith responses." - <https://ecospiritualityresources.com/>

"Today, however, we have to realize that a true ecological approach always becomes a social approach; it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor." Pope Francis, *Laudato Si*, 2015

The OLV Social Action and Christian Service Ministry invites you to share our Lenten preparation with "Less is Blessed." We have been praying for our parish, school and diocese to answer the call to care for creation and the poor. Please take one of our commitment cards in the Gathering Space and join us in committing to using less water, paper, plastic, energy and reduce waste.

May we all have reverence for God's splendid gift our common home and everything we need to sustain us, act in ways of mindfulness and love for our planet and one another. If we want God's mercy then we must give mercy. Mercy is empathy, compassion, and understanding in our words, thoughts and actions. Matt 9:13 "I desire mercy, not sacrifice."

"Free Little Food Pantry"

-Jennifer Wemhoff

One aspect of IGNITE Sundays has been service. The service project that we've concentrated on so far is building a "free little food pantry." This pantry still has a little work to be done on it, but it is up and operational!

What is the purpose of the "free little food pantry"? To provide food for our community, both the parish community and the surrounding community.

Know someone that needs some food? Feel free to get some supplies from the free little food pantry to take to them. If you need food for you and/or your family please take what you need. We truly want to bless those of our community by being able to provide what they may need. Matthew 25:35-40

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.'

Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.'

Thank you to all that have donated items to the pantry and to all that had a part in building the pantry. Donations are accepted in the box at the bottom of the steps at the church entrance.



Guardian Angel Pre-School

-Kitty Temming

From the moment of birth, children begin to learn about the world. These early learning experiences affect their future cognitive, social, physical and emotional development. Although children are actively learning whenever they are at home, attending story hour at the library, or participating in kid-centered community events, a structured preschool learning opportunity can be beneficial for any young child.

JFK, through Guardian Angel Preschool, has offered preschool since 1985. Guided by the Iowa Early Learning Standards, the curriculum of preschool has evolved from periods of socialization, stories, and snacking into an organized curriculum of math, literacy, and emotional and social skills through teacher-lead group instruction and learning center activities with peers. JFK has preschool classes for three year olds and four year olds.

JFK's four-year-old preschool classes meet for approximately three hours five days a week in the morning or the afternoon. Capped at 20 students with a ten-to-one or less student-to-adult ratio, group instruction emphasizes emerging literacy and math skills. Large motor skill activities take place in a fenced, outdoor play area, weather permitting. Children must turn four years of age on or by September 15th of the year they begin the 4-year-old program at Guardian Angel. While most of the 4 year old program is FREE, JFK's preschool program is longer than required by the Iowa Department of Education, so there is an extended time fee paid at the time of registration. 5 year old students can register for a second year of preschool, and a tuition rate will apply to these students.

Three-year-olds have two options for preschool at JFK: Monday-Wednesday-Friday or Tuesday-Thursday, mornings only, between the hours of 7:25-9:55am. While in attendance, these youngest students become acclimated to preschool activities with an emphasis on socialization, problem-solving, and following directions. Table activities introduce students to holding pencils and using scissors, for example, and students use the outdoor play area as well. Children must turn three by their first day of attendance or by September 15th of the year they begin 3-year-old preschool, and they must be able to use the bathroom independently. There is a tuition charge for preschool.

Families needing childcare can take advantage of the Early Childhood Learning Center's (ECLC) option of wrap-around care. Childcare begins at 7:00 am and ends at 5:30 pm. Four year olds attend morning preschool classes and are escorted back and forth from preschool rooms to the childcare room. Three year olds who need childcare remain in the center and attend preschool five days a week. A hot lunch is provided, and a period of napping is scheduled for all the 3 year olds, with an option for 4-year-olds to nap as well. The staffing of the center follows a 1:8 ratio of staff to students for three year old children, and a 1:12 ratio for the four-year-olds. Childcare rates are paid either weekly or monthly. The ECLC and its staff are licensed by the Iowa Department of Human Services.

Three, four, and five year old preschool and daycare registration has begun. Spots can go fast, so don't delay registration. For more information, call the JFK school office at 563-391-3030.

A special feature of our 60th Anniversary Celebration will include the addition of the statues of Mary and Joseph.

The Lost is Found!

-Maureen Mosse

When the parish was established in 1962, Masses were held at Assumption High School. Construction of the school was completed in April 1964 and the first Mass was held in the school cafeteria on Easter Sunday of that year. There was a tabernacle, altar, crucifix and statues of Mary and Joseph.

The original crucifix that was used has remained at the school in the cafeteria. The Altar is now in the day chapel at the church and the tabernacle is used for adoration on Holy Thursday and the Christian Experience Weekends. For years Mary and Joseph were stored at the school in the old music and costume room.

Thom Gleich, a parish member and local wood carver, approached me and asked if he could repair Mary as he recalled that her fingers were broken off. However, when he went to retrieve the statue, it was discovered that she as well as Joseph were lost. Through the efforts of Chad Steimle, Evan Brankin, and myself Joseph was found in the pastor's office and Mary was located in the youth room in the rectory basement.

Mary needed extensive repairs as both of her hands and fingers were broken off and there were many cracks throughout her structure. Thom spent 40+ hours carving and meticulously repairing the statue. Joseph on the other hand only required a good cleaning.

By Easter of this year, 52 years later, they will be back together again! Mary and Joseph will be on display in the Gathering Space with the help of another parish member who volunteered to make stands for the statues to celebrate the 60th Anniversary of our Parish.

JFK Registration for 2022-23

-Chad Steimle

Registration for all grades, 3 year old preschool through 8th grade, is underway for the 2022-23 school year at JFK. Contact the school office for more information (563-391-3030). What do people like about JFK?

"I like the fact the school feels like one big family."

"...[S]tudents that attend JFK come from families that care about their kids [and] support their children behaviorally and academically."

"I like how my children have learned to be respectful at school and have one on one attention when needed."

"Structure, curriculum, discipline."

"The welcoming atmosphere. Christian focus. Quality teachers that have become our partners in educating our children."

Tuition assistance is typically received by 75%-85% of families who apply. A family's "financial need" is determined through a formula that considers the family's total Catholic school education bill, family size, gross and net incomes, and other factors. All families are encouraged to apply for assistance. The application process is available through our website: www.olvjfk.com, "How to Apply," "FTP Application"

	<i>First child Monthly Rate</i>	<i>Second Child Monthly Rate</i>	<i>Third Child Monthly Rate</i>	<i>Fourth+ Child</i>
<i>K-8 tuition for OLV & Parish Supported Students</i>	<i>\$4,170 \$347.50 per month</i>	<i>\$3,545 \$295.42</i>	<i>\$2,710 \$225.83</i>	<i>\$2,085 \$173.75</i>
<i>K-8 tuition for students not supported by a Catholic parish</i>	<i>\$6,170 \$514.17 per month</i>	<i>\$3,545 \$295.42</i>	<i>\$2,710 \$225.83</i>	<i>\$2,085 \$173.75</i>

Registration fee: \$150 per child, discounted to \$100 for parishioners and current JFK/Guardian Angel families, with a family cap of \$300, if registered before May 1, 2022.

Pre-School Only

Monthly payment plans standard. Sibling discounts available. Four year olds free.*

<i>Ages</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Times</i>	<i>Annual Cost</i>
<i>3 yr olds</i>	<i>MWF mornings</i>	<i>7:25 -- 9:55 a.m.</i>	<i>\$3,030 (\$2,575 for JFK sibling)</i>
	<i>T/Th mornings</i>	<i>7:25 -- 9:55 a.m.</i>	<i>\$2,150 (\$1,825 for JFK sibling)</i>
<i>4 or 5 yr olds</i>	<i>M-F mornings</i>	<i>7:25 -- 10:25 a.m. (9:55 a.m. on Wed)</i>	<i>4 yr old: FREE*</i> <i>5 yr old: \$3,320 (\$2,820 sibling)</i>
<i>4 or 5 yr olds</i>	<i>M-F afternoons</i>	<i>11:40 -- 2:40 p.m. (11:10-1:40 p.m. on Wed)</i>	<i>4 yr old: FREE*</i> <i>5 yr old: \$3,320 (\$2,820 sibling)</i>

*10 hours of 4 year old pre-school tuition is covered by a state grant, if the student is 4 on or before September 15th. The additional instructional time is available for \$240 for the year.

Pre-School and Daycare Combination

One drop off and pick up! Pre-school rates significantly discounted!

Open 7:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Lunch & Snacks Included

OLV parishioner or JFK sibling:

3 yr old: \$210 for 40 weeks AND \$450 per yr for PS

4 yr old: \$210 for 40 weeks (AND \$240 Additional instructional time fee)

5 yr old: \$210 for 40 weeks AND \$900 per yr for PS

Non-parishioner:

3 yr old: \$240 for 40 weeks AND \$450 per yr for PS

4 yr old: \$240 for 40 weeks (AND \$240 Additional instructional time fee)

5 yr old: \$240 for 40 weeks AND \$900 per yr for PS





Many of you know by now that this will be my last year at Our Lady of Victory. As I prepare for my departure and put things in order for my replacement, I find myself reflecting on many things. Recently I was invited to share a list of things that the youth ministry has done in the past ten years as part of our preparations for the 60th anniversary celebration at Our Lady of Victory. While I won't go into that whole list here, I'd like to offer some reflections and remind the parish family of what opportunities are still coming up for our young people.

What can I say about NCYC? We've seen trips to the largest Catholic youth conference in the country come and go, and each one has brought its own incredible experience and challenges. I expect almost everyone in our parish has heard about NCYC from friends, family, the Victory Voice, or just mass announcements if nothing else, but did you know that we have also started attending the deeply impactful Steubenville summer conferences? These are laser focused on giving teens a life-changing encounter with Jesus and we have seen real fruit of discipleship grow from them. You can still sign up to attend this summer's retreat for the weekend of July 15-17. We also started bringing our entire 7th grade class to Holy Fire Chicago for a conference retreat designed solely for middle school youth as part of their Confirmation preparation.

Of course, one can't mention NCYC and youth ministry without also bringing up our many fundraisers. If you participated in any or all of those, you have our great thanks for making NCYC possible! Most of all I find myself reflecting on the Sweetheart Dinner, the fundraiser everyone talks about. It was extremely intimidating to my rookie youth minister self! In many ways the Sweetheart Dinner is the face of youth ministry to the parish - because parishioners see so many of our youth's faces at the event! Over the years, the Sweetheart Dinner has grown; grossing more than \$3,000. Even more importantly the dinner has become an important way that our youth develop leadership skills. Youth have taken over for our adult head servers, serve as the MCs and help plan the decor. As the Sweetheart Dinners adapted for the pandemic, youth not only served in all those leadership capacities, but planned much of the to-go experience and made the desserts. Truly the face of youth ministry in our parish!

Of course, it isn't all trips and fundraisers. We have a lot of fun in youth ministry with weekly and monthly youth nights and fun events. Games are an important part of youth ministry as fun breaks down barriers and helps youth relax and open up with each other. So challenge your teen to some chubby bunny or pterodactyl for your next family weekend or sharing night, but don't let them talk you into watching every Marvel Movie in a marathon - we did two for youth ministry in preparation for Avengers: Infinity War and End Game, and those movies are only getting longer! Even when having fun, we were learning, praying, and serving. From our poignant prayer services and prayer tree initiative to many question and answer apologetics sessions on hot topics for today's youth. The culture of service is still very much alive at OLV, and youth ministry is no exception. We've constantly sought out ways to support the poor men of the Catholic worker house: with meals, help cleaning, an entire service mission dedicated to improving their home situation, and a massive food drive during the pandemic. In addition to that we partnered with Rebuilding Together and Habitat for Humanity to coordinate other summer mission projects with the parish, and conducted dozens of smaller service events such as care packages for the homeless and handmade cards for first responders.

I can't reflect on the past few years at OLV without bringing up the pandemic. This has been a time of tremendous innovation for youth ministry with seeds planted that will hopefully bring great fruit. During the pandemic, we launched a new YouTube ministry making videos for teens and care package ministry whereby every high school youth in the parish received a gift from the parish every semester. For middle school students we launched Alpha online and then in person, as well as a cooking club started by 6th grade to continue feeding the needy. We're currently preparing for our next Alpha session which is open to 7th and 8th graders, and 6th graders can still sign up for the cooking club! With your support, all this and more can continue on into the future as youth ministry at Our Lady of Victory continues to innovate and minister to, for, and with the youth of the parish.

Don't forget the Victory Voucher gift cards for the Easter baskets!

3 easy ways to shop:

- 1. Available for purchase in the Parish Office**
- 2. Download the RaiseRight App**
- 3. JFK Backpack mail**

Please call the parish office if you have any questions 563-391-4245



The sacraments of Christian initiation - Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist - lay the foundations of every Christian life. Each is meant to strengthen our faith and forge a deeper relationship with God. Baptism frees us from original sin, confirmation strengthens our faith and Eucharist allows us to taste the body and blood of eternal life and be reminded of Christ's love and sacrifice.

Baptism serves as the first sacrament one receives when entering the Catholic Faith. It is a sacrament of initiation (which you can only receive one time), meaning once you receive it, you officially enter into the body of Christ, the Catholic Church. The recipient receives justifying and sanctifying grace when baptized, and the Holy Spirit begins to dwell within them.

Confirmation follows Baptism as part of the initiation process with God and the Church, where the candidate receives the gift of the Holy Spirit and continues their journey with Christ. During Confirmation, the candidate is anointed on the forehead with chrism by a bishop. Since baptism typically happens when the candidate is a baby, confirmation is a great way for an older child to acknowledge that they still want to continue their journey with God and grow their relationship with Him.

Eucharist means thanksgiving. This is when Christ's body and blood are offered and then received by the parishioner in the form of bread and wine. Christ during the Last Supper broke bread, ate it, gave it to his disciples and told them to eat it. Now the priest, through the words of consecration, blesses and administers the Holy Communion during every mass to remind followers that they are one with Christ. Food and drink nourishes our bodies - Christ's blood and body nourishes us spiritually.

Our current practices have children receiving the Sacrament of Baptism as infants. In second grade children experience their First Communion. The Sacrament of Confirmation happens in 8th grade.

Children who were not baptized as infants or who were baptized but did not receive formal catechesis and have now reached the age of reason (age 7+) follow an adaptation of the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. This means that these children complete the sacraments of initiation at one time. For those not baptized they receive all three sacraments; if already baptized then these children receive Confirmation and First Eucharist together.

As families consider the passing on of faith to their children, keep in mind that children who have not been baptized by the age of reason (7+) will be asked to participate in the adapted Rite of Christian Initiation as preparation for the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation. Parents wanting their child to be baptized are asked to contact the Parish Office regarding registering for a Baptism Class. If you have a child who has reached the age of reason and not yet been baptized or did not receive the sacrament of First Eucharist in second grade please contact Kaye Meyers (davolvcre@diodav.org) about your child preparing to receive their sacraments.

Kitty Temming - 60 Years with Catholic Schools

-Chad Steimle



Chad Steimle, principal of JFK, reflects on his time with Mrs. Temming:

I first learned of Kitty's contribution to Catholic school education in our area when she was the principal at Lourdes in Bettendorf in the early 1990s, and I was teaching at Assumption. Some of our beginning-of-the-year in-services used to be held in Lourdes gym. Everything, of course, was meticulously well-organized by Kitty's team and led to a great kick-off for the school year.

In 1997, Kitty began teaching at JFK, after having stepped down from Lourdes to focus more on her daughters for a few years. In the 2000-01 school year, Kitty served as both teacher and interim principal of JFK when the principal of the time experienced several health challenges. When I arrived in 2001, I was a bit intimidated by her. I was a "rookie" principal, and she was an experienced principal and had experience at JFK too. Kitty became a trusted "teacher voice" for me. She didn't always tell me what I wanted to hear, but she, thankfully, told me what I needed to hear in a way that wasn't demoralizing but rather motivating and led to a better school.

In July 2014, JFK added the position of assistant principal/director of special programs, and I approached Kitty because you should always surround yourself with people better than you. For the past eight years, Kitty has been a force to manage the increasingly complex world of education. From preschool to Title services for students and from standardized testing to instructional services provided by aides, everything in education seems to be getting more and more complex.

Working with Kitty over the years has made so many of us better educators. She has always been someone with whom one can confide and trust to look out for the best interests of students and staff. Mentor to so many over the years in Catholic school education and for the last 25 years at JFK, in particular, we are so grateful to Kitty for her service. We wish her well in retirement.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY NEWSLETTER

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Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church is a community that lives and shares the preaching, teaching, and healing of Christ."

Wellness at OLV

-Char McGovern

It is that time of year again when any college student or graduate student studying in the medical field: nursing, chiropractor, imaging, physician, NP, PA, PT, OT, speech or music therapy, can apply for a \$500 scholarship from the Wellness Ministry Team. Applications are available from the Parish Office and must be received back by April 29th. If you have not previously won a scholarship, please apply to be considered. Scholarships will be announced June 1, 2022.

Wellness programing updates:

We are in the middle of *GriefShare* and will be offering another session in the fall. If you have had a loss, please join us as we help you move through your grief. One comment made after the last class: "I thought I was ok but realize now that I was just going through the motions of life."

The current Matter of Balance class will be finishing soon and we have about 40 parishioners involved with TaiChi for balance.

Nourish is an ongoing caregiver support group at OLV. We meet every 2nd Thursday of the month at 1pm in the gathering space meeting room. If you are a caregiver, please join us, we do not talk specific diseases but ways to care for your loved ones and yourself.

1 Samuel 25:6 states, "Say to him: 'Long life to you! Good health to you and your household! And good health to all that is yours!'" Every Sunday, we offer a variety of healthy, helpful information in our Parish Nurse corner in the bulletin. Please check the bulletin for any new programs being offered in the future. We care about you and your health!



Participants at IGNITE Sundays have been heard saying:

- "Do you need someone to help with ____ at IGNITE Sunday this week?"
- "That was really a nice experience."
- "That's the best experience I have ever had with Eucharistic Adoration."
- "It was great to hear so many different people read during the Stations."
- "I really enjoyed participating in the Advent prayer service with my children."
- "It has brought me closer to God"
- "Time to pause, rethink, and move forward in a focused fashion"
- "The variety of topics with the great discussion"
- "Community togetherness--getting to know other parishioners"
- "To meet new people, reinforce your faith, see things from another view"



You are invited to come experience our final IGNITE Sunday of this school year on April 24, whether you've attended an IGNITE Sunday or are brand new to the experience--all are welcome! Each portion of IGNITE Sunday stands alone, come to one or come to all or any number in between the choice is yours. We begin with Mass at 4:30pm in the church, and then enjoy a meal at about 5:20pm in the Parish Center, next at 6:10pm we break up into small groups to discuss the evening's topic. Child care, Kindergarten thru 2nd grade, 3rd-5th grade, 6th-8th grade, high school, young adult, and adult groups are offered: something for everyone!

Join us for our last IGNITE Sunday of the school year: April 24, 2022: Come, bring a friend or two and receive a gift! Dates for next year's IGNITE: Season 2--Coming soon to a Parish Center near you.

September 11, 2022
October 2, 2022
October 16, 2022
November 13, 2022
December 11, 2022

February 12, 2023
February 26, 2023
March 19, 2023
April 2, 2023
April 16, 2023

Thank you to everyone who has participated and/or helped in any way at IGNITE Sundays. It takes a community effort. Stay tuned for the release of topics for Season 2 of IGNITE Sundays!