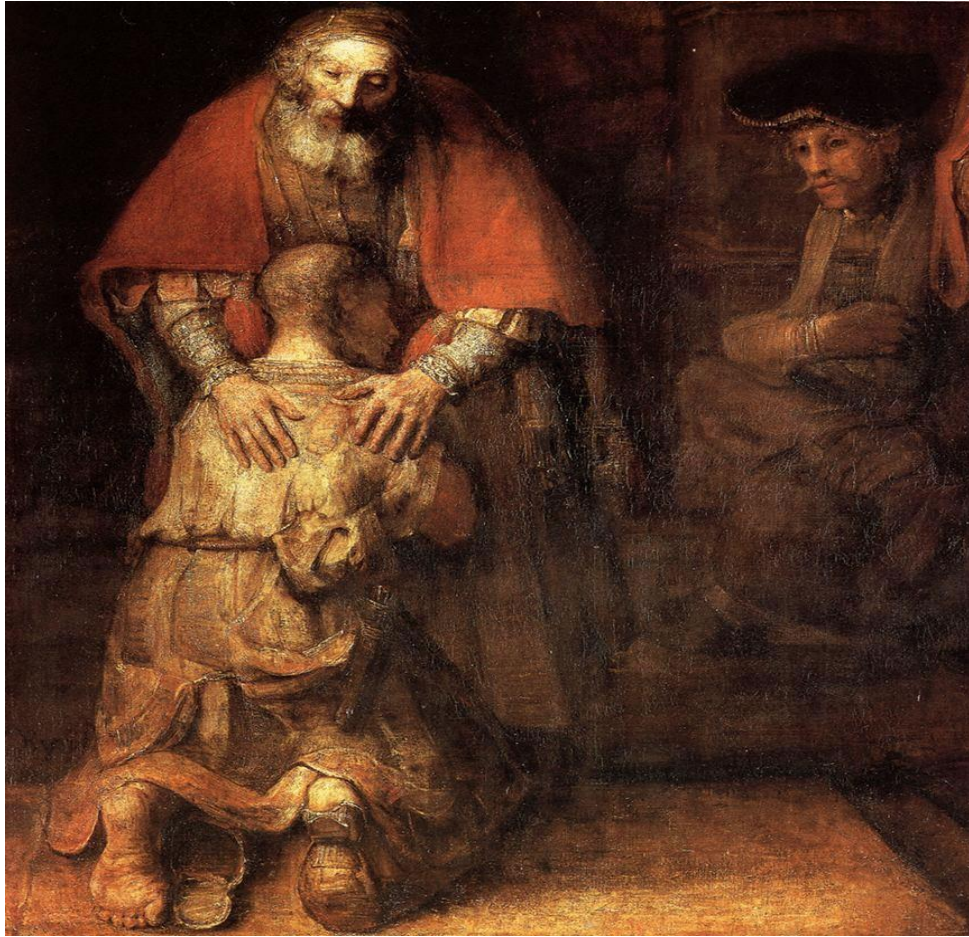


# *Holy Spirit*

## *Faith Formation Program*



*High School Handbook*

*2018-2019*

*On the Way*

# HOLY SPIRIT

## PARISH

August, 2018

Thank you very much for enrolling your son/daughter in our Holy Spirit Faith Formation Program. If you are new to the high school program, please read the description below to familiarize yourself with the procedure. Our goal is to create disciples of Jesus Christ. We hope to create an environment that fosters an experience of the Spirit, one that inspires action and love of neighbor. We sincerely hope that by taking the courses in our religion program our students will grow in their knowledge of the Catholic Faith and become true disciples of our Lord Jesus.

**Description of the High School Religion Program** – High school students need to take six required courses and three elective courses. The breakdown can be as follows:

Freshman – Three Courses  
Sophomore – Three Courses  
Junior – Three Courses  
Senior – Confirmation

We are using the textbook, *The Catholic Faith Handbook for Youth*, in our classes. Textbooks can be purchased from the Parish Office for \$25. Please purchase the book prior to starting classes in the summer. The book will be used for all of their high school courses.

May God bless you for all your cooperation and support throughout the year. Please feel free to call if you have any questions or concerns. For any concern related to high school, or to sign up for courses, please call 788-7655 or send an e-mail to [faithformation@holyspirit-parish.org](mailto:faithformation@holyspirit-parish.org).

**PLEASE RETURN THE FORM ON THE LAST PAGE OF THIS HANDBOOK, SIGNED BY THE STUDENT(S) AND PARENT/GUARDIAN, PRIOR TO THE STUDENT(S) FIRST CLASS**

## **FAITH FORMATION STAFF**

Fr. Bob Kollath.....788-7640  
Tim Singler, DRE – High School & Confirmation.....788-7655  
E-mail, High School.....[faithformation@holyspirit-parish.org](mailto:faithformation@holyspirit-parish.org)  
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Holy Spirit Website.....[www.holyspirit-parish.org](http://www.holyspirit-parish.org)

## **CATECHISTS**

Fr. Robert Kollath:  
Old Testament

Don Maes:  
World Religions

Brenda Karls-Skalecki  
Lives of the Saints

Tim Singler:  
Eucharist & the Sacraments  
Prayer & the Spiritual Life

Terry Tess:  
New Testament

Randy Van Boxtel:  
Church

Mary Vandehey:  
Christian Morality

Roy & Kathy Verstegen:  
Alpha I

## **PROGRAM INFORMATION**

In order that our programs run smoothly, and students can experience optimal learning, we ask your cooperation in the following matters:

1. Students are expected to attend all classes in a course. *Students are excused **ONLY** for sickness, funerals, or emergencies, and **MUST** make up their work.*
2. If a student is going to be absent, the religious education office needs to be contacted by calling 788-7655 or sending an email to [faithformation@holyspirit-parish.org](mailto:faithformation@holyspirit-parish.org).
3. If a student needs to be dismissed early, a note needs to be presented to the teacher at the beginning of class. The student is to be picked up at the west entrance of the parish center.
4. If a student needs to receive medication during class time, that medication needs to be given to, and dispensed by, the director or coordinator of religious education.
5. Alcohol and other drugs are not allowed on the school premises. Firearms, weapons, and other dangerous objects are not permitted in the parish buildings or on the parish property. Any student in possession of a firearm shall be immediately suspended.
6. Sexual harassment or sexual misconduct will not be tolerated. Students who are involved in this type of behavior will be suspended.
7. Students in the Faith Formation Program have a right to use the facilities. They also have the responsibility to respect the property that is used.
8. Students are allowed to bring water bottles or soda to class. They are allowed to bring food if they have not had the opportunity to eat before class.
9. Students are asked to turn off their cell phones during class and to keep them on top of the table where they are sitting.
10. Students are asked to respect and obey their teachers and to cooperate with them in the prayer, discussion, and activities of the class.
11. Students who are consistently disrespectful will be asked to drop the course they are taking and to take it again at a later date.
12. Students need to dress appropriately for classes. Shirts or tops should reach the top of pants or shorts. Shorts should be a decent length. Students should not wear clothing with plunging necklines or tank tops that have thin straps. They should not wear any clothing that contains inappropriate references or promotes alcohol, drugs, or tobacco. Students who come to class dressed inappropriately will be sent home to change clothes.

## CANCELLATION OF CLASSES

If classes need to be canceled due to inclement weather, each of the following will be done:

1. If the Kimberly Public Schools cancel classes or close early because of storms, there will be no religion classes on that date.
2. The following television stations will be contacted: **WBAY (Channel 2** and **WLUK (Channel 11)**. Please watch these channels.
3. If at all possible, we will send an email to our entire parent email list.

## FEES

Tuition: \$40 per course, to be paid at the first class  
\$80 per course, for non-members of Holy Spirit Parish

Textbook: \$25 for incoming freshmen and new students

Retreat: These fees are listed on the retreat schedule

Confirmation Candidate: \$120

## FAITH EXPERIENCES

Students in Grades 9 and 10 are expected to attend one faith experience each year (formerly called retreats). Participation in Catholic Heart Work Camp counts as a faith experience. Retreats are also open to students in Grade 11.

*To sign up for a retreat, contact our youth minister, Sarah Elmer, at 450-6440 or [elmers@holyspirit-parish.org](mailto:elmers@holyspirit-parish.org).*

# **HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULUM**

## **REQUIRED COURSES**

### **Alpha I**

1. This is a course designed for young people to help them discover and deepen their relationship with Jesus through interactive videos and small group discussion.

### **Christian Morality**

1. Introduction  
Values of Jesus
2. Principles of Catholic Social Teaching
3. Social Issues
4. Sources of Moral Truth
5. Process for Analyzing a Moral Issue  
Effects of Moral Decisions
6. Virtues  
Sacrament of Reconciliation

### **New Testament**

1. The Basic Story  
Formation of the Gospels
2. The Homeland of Jesus  
The Synoptic Gospels
3. The Homeland of Jesus  
The Gospel of John
4. The Acts of the Apostles
5. The Epistles
6. The Book of Revelation

In some sections of the course a theme will be applied to the four Gospels and adapted to the seasons of the liturgical year.

### **Church**

1. Core Beliefs and Practices
2. The Church's Creed
3. Images of God, Trinity
4. Mission and Models of the Church
5. Marks of the Church  
Roles of the Church

6. The Church in Relation to World Religions  
The Missionary Activity of the Church

### **Eucharist and the Sacraments**

1. The Meaning of Sacrament
2. The Paschal Mystery  
The Initiation Process
3. The Mass: Liturgy of the Word
4. Confirmation and Anointing of the Sick
5. Marriage and Holy Orders
6. The Mass: Liturgy of the Eucharist

### **Old Testament**

1. Revelation, Scripture, and Tradition  
Interpretation of Scripture  
Writing of the Old Testament
2. Genesis and the Patriarchs
3. Exodus: Call to Leadership  
Relationship to Sacraments
4. A Kingdom and a Temple
5. Exile: Amos, Hosea, Jeremiah
6. Suffering Servant Songs  
Covenant

### **Theology of the Body**

1. Created for Love
2. Love Defined
3. Naked without Shame
4. Language of the Body
5. Free, Total, Faithful, Fruitful
6. Dating with Purpose and Dignity

## **ELECTIVE COURSES**

### **Faith & Science**

1. Can Science Disprove God?
2. Is There Any Evidence for a Creator?
3. Is the Universe Random and Meaningless?
4. Does the Bible Conflict with Science?
5. Does the Bible Conflict with Evolution?
6. Summary and Review

### **Lives of the Saints**

Each class will focus on one group of saints: popes, martyrs, teachers, missionaries, etc.

### **Mary, Mother of the Church**

1. Introduction
2. Annunciation  
Visitation
3. Nativity
4. Presentation  
Finding in the Temple
5. Wedding at Cana  
Mary at the Cross
6. Mary Crowned with Glory

### **Prayer and the Spiritual Life**

1. God's Revelation, Journaling, Types of Prayer
2. Liturgy of the Hours, Scripture and Prayer
3. Conversion, Lectio Divina, The Rosary
4. Vocation, Ignatian Meditation, Discernment
5. Healing, Devotions, Eucharistic Adoration
6. Action/Contemplation, Franciscan Prayer

### **World Religions**

1. A Worldview of Religion
2. Hinduism
3. Islam
4. Judaism
5. Protestantism
6. Catholicism

# HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

## 2018 – 2019

### FIRST QUARTER

#### Christian Morality

– Mary Vandehey  
Wednesdays – Sept. 12, 19, & 26  
Oct. 3, 17, & 24

#### Church

– Randy Van Boxtel  
Wednesdays – Sept. 12, 19, & 26  
Oct. 3, 17, & 24

#### Old Testament

– Father Bob Kollath  
Wednesdays – Sept. 12, 19, & 26  
Oct. 3, 17, & 24

### SECOND QUARTER

#### New Testament

– Terry Tess  
Wednesdays – Nov. 7, 14, 28  
Dec. 5, 12, 19

#### Lives of the Saints -

– Brenda Karls-Skalecki  
Wednesdays – Nov. 7, 14, 28  
Dec. 5, 12, 19

#### Theology of the Body

– Amy Vanden Boom  
Wednesdays – Nov. 7, 14, 28  
Dec. 5, 12, 19

### THIRD QUARTER

#### Christian Morality

– Mary Vandehey  
Wednesdays – Jan. 9, 16, 30  
Feb. 6, 13, & 20

#### Resisting Happiness

– Father Bob Kollath  
Wednesdays – Jan. 9, 16, 30  
Feb. 6, 13, 20

#### Eucharist & the Sacraments

– Terry Tess  
Wednesdays – Jan. 9, 16, 30  
Feb. 6, 13, & 20

### FOURTH QUARTER

#### Church

– Randy Van Boxtel  
Wednesdays – March 6, 13, 20, 27  
April 3, 10

#### Alpha

– Tim Singler  
Wednesdays – March 6, 13, 20, 27  
April 3, 10

#### Theology of the Body

– Amy Vanden Boom  
Wednesdays – March 6, 13, 20, 27  
April 3, 10



**PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOK AGREEMENT FORM**

We have read and agree to be governed by this handbook.

Student signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/Guardian signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

**School/Principal's or Catechetical Program/RE Administrator's Right to Amend Handbook**

The school/principal or catechetical program/RE administrator retains the right to amend the handbook for just cause. Parents/students will be given prompt notification if changes are made.

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM SIGNED BY THE STUDENT(S) AND PARENT/GUARDIAN PRIOR TO THE STUDENT(S) FIRST CLASS**