

## **Small Groups Offered for Sharing Our Journey: Winter 2022**

### **Rosary for St. Mary's Springs Academy** \*Co-ed

**Monday afternoons during the school year at 2:30pm** at the SMSA Chapel

**Leader:** Dawn Meyer (920-517-7557 or [jobbagee@icloud.com](mailto:jobbagee@icloud.com))

This group meets to pray the Rosary, asking for our Mother's intercession for the students, staff, and families of St. Mary's Springs Academy. This year the rosary will take place at Holy Family Church by the tabernacle. Please enter the office doors and sign in. All are welcome.

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### **Self Study: Formed.org**

Go to [hffdl.formed.org](http://hffdl.formed.org), create new account by finding "Holy Family Catholic Community", enter information or login via previous email. Through video series, podcasts, movies, and more, there are many different resources that make it easy to dive deeper into our faith, go ahead and check it out! Some of our favorite studies include: Brother Francis series (for the Elementary school aged children), The Search, and various Bible studies (Acts of the Apostles, Mark, Peter, etc.)

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### **Exploring the Sunday Readings** \*Co-ed

**Every Tuesday Morning 9:30am** at the Sacred Heart Church Hospitality Room

**Leader:** Helen Hiemerl ([poetlassie@yahoo.com](mailto:poetlassie@yahoo.com))

**Suggested Donation:** TBD

This is a Bible Study for looking at the upcoming Sunday Readings. Each week will use the investigations and comments of bible scholars to learn the significant insights in each set of Sunday readings. We will further discuss and share how these readings apply to us and add enrichment to our lives. A great way to prepare for Sunday Mass!

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### **What to do When Jesus is Hungry**\*Co-Ed

**Every Wednesday Evening from 6-7 pm** starting 1-26-22 through 3-16-22 at the Holy Family Fireside Room

**Leader:** Kelsey Carter (920-921-0580 ext. 303 or [kelseyc@hffdl.org](mailto:kelseyc@hffdl.org))

**Cost:** \$15 for the book that you can order through Amazon (author is Fr. Andrew Apostoli)

According to the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus will judge us on the basis of whether or not we fed him when he was hungry, gave him drink when he was thirsty, welcomed him when he was a stranger, clothed him when he was naked, and visited him when he was sick or in prison. What we have done for others, he will tell us, we have done for him.

The Catholic Church has traditionally called these six acts of kindness--along with a seventh, burying the dead -- the Corporal Works of Mercy. In this down-to-earth yet inspiring guide, Father Andrew Apostoli, C.F.R., explains the Corporal Works of Mercy and illustrates multiple ways we can do them in our modern everyday life.

Father Apostoli also outlines the lesser-known but equally important Spiritual Works of Mercy: counseling the doubtful, teaching the ignorant, admonishing the sinner, consoling the afflicted, forgiving offenses, bearing wrongs patiently, and praying for the living and the dead. And he offers many creative ways these too can be made part of our lives.

As a founding member of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, Father Apostoli knows firsthand about the challenges and rewards of caring for those in physical or spiritual need. His order is dedicated to the works of mercy, and Father Apostoli brings to his subject a great wealth of spiritual and practical wisdom gained from personal experience.

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**The Great Divorce** \* Co-Ed

**Monday evenings 6:30-7:30pm** 2-7-22 through 3-28-22 (excluding 2-28-22 for the Parish Mission) at the Holy Family Fireside Room

**Leader:** Luke Townsend ([ldtownsend27@marianuniversity.edu](mailto:ldtownsend27@marianuniversity.edu))

**Cost:** \$9 for the book on Amazon (author C.S. Lewis)

C.S. Lewis' *The Great Divorce* is a classic Christian allegorical tale about a bus ride from hell to heaven. An extraordinary meditation upon good and evil, grace and judgment, Lewis's revolutionary idea in the *The Great Divorce* is that the gates of Hell are locked from the inside. Using his extraordinary descriptive powers, Lewis' *The Great Divorce* will change the way we think about good and evil.

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**Book of Ruth** \* Co-Ed

**Thursday mornings 8:30 to 10 am** April 28, May 5, 12, 19 at the Holy Family St. Agnes Library

**Leader:** Marian Freund ([meafreund@gmail.com](mailto:meafreund@gmail.com) or 948-9744)

**Cost:** \$13 for participant work book

Many books and movies that pass for "love stories" today seem like tales of lust, not love. However, the *Book of Ruth* is truly a sacred love story. This book relates how a simple Gentile woman rose from the sudden death of her husband to a courageous trust in God.

As Steve Ray and Fr. Scott Courtney will show you, Ruth is very special for another reason: she is one of the four women mentioned in Jesus' genealogy, as well as King David's great-grandmother.

In this prudent, four-part explication of its four beautiful chapters, you will learn:  
How Boaz and Ruth found each other through kindness and selflessness  
Why prudence and patience always bring us closer to God  
That trusting in God through confusion and pain is a guarantor of happiness

*The Book of Ruth* is yet another example of how God is always faithful to his promises, without exception. Ruth trusted in God even when her world fell to pieces – and he turned every inch of that pain into the purest light for his faithful daughter. Let him do the same for you.

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**Conversion** \* Co-ed

**Thursday Mornings 8:30 – 10 am** February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, April 7, 21 at the Holy Family St. Agnes Library

**Leader:** Marian Freund (meafreund@gmail.com or 948-9744)

**Cost:** Participant workbook is \$15

In this DVD series, Bishop Robert Barron illuminates six biblical stories of conversion, demonstrating how six ordinary people, just like you, were met by Jesus where they were and called to a better life through Him. The common theme in each story is the turning of all one's attention and energy toward an ever deeper, personal relationship with Jesus Christ. In his characteristically energetic style, Bishop Barron explains how conversion is not so much a one-time event, but a life-long process. He explains, "Jesus Christ calls us in thousands of different ways to follow Him, as we strive on the path for spiritual excellence."

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**The Search** \* Co-Ed

**Thursday mornings 8:30-10 am** January 6, 13, 20, 27, February 3, 17 at the Holy Family St. Agnes Library

**Leader:** Marian Freund (meafreund@gmail.com or 948-9744)

**Cost:** Participant workbook is \$16

*The Search* is a video series for those looking for meaning in life and for the answers to life's deepest questions. This DVD set includes seven episodes that will help viewers reignite their love for the journey of life and open their hearts to the transcendent.

**"About *The Search*"**

Why are we here? What is life all about? What happens when we die? These are some of life's deepest questions, rooted in the human heart's deepest desire: happiness, love, beauty, meaning. Where can we find the answers to these questions and these desires? Until satisfied, we are left questioning, longing, and searching.

*The Search* video series guides viewers through the arc of seven episodes, examining the great big story of everything – life and death, sorrow and happiness, science and faith – as astrophysicists, psychologists, astronauts, neuroscientists, professors, athletes, artists, and the beauty of the cosmos all point to one big (and perhaps surprising) conclusion: that Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church have the best and most satisfying answers to every one of the questions and desires of the human heart.

Embark on the adventure, discover the purpose and begin *The Search*.

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**Consecrate Your Life to Mary** Preparation class \*Co-Ed  
**Saturday Feb 5 OR Saturday March 12** ) (you only need to attend one) at the Holy Family Board Room 9:30am - 11am  
**Leader:** Dawn Meyer (920-517-7557 or [jobbagee@icloud.com](mailto:jobbagee@icloud.com))  
**Cost:** free

### **Have you ever considered consecrating yourself to Mary?**

Mary is our greatest intercessor and always leads us to Jesus. Through total consecration we become an instrument in her immaculate hands to help spread her Son's Kingdom throughout the world. Wherever the Immaculata (Mary) enters, Jesus enters; and **grace, conversion** and **growth in holiness** are obtained.

Join us at an upcoming class and explore the deeper meaning of Total Consecration to Mary, and the Militia of the Immaculata.

### **Join us for a preparation class as we discuss:**

- Why we consecrate ourselves to Mary
- The Role of Mary in the Church
- The spirituality of St. Maximilian Kolbe behind the founding of the Militia of the Immaculata (MI)
- How to prepare for Marian Consecration

*Please note that this is a class to inform and help assist those who are discerning consecration to Our Lady. The actual consecration ceremony for those who choose to follow through, will take place on a selected Marian feast day*

[What is the Militia of the Immaculata? - YouTube](#)

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**Bishop Robert Barron's The Mass** \* Co-Ed

**Every Friday Morning 6:15 am – 7:30 am** February 4-March 18 in the Holy Family Hall

**Leader:** Rob Kratoska (920-204-0033 or kratoska@hotmail.com)

**Cost:** Participants will need the study guide, a Catholic study bible and *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

Mass Study Guide \$24.95 plus shipping (may depend on how many order)

(optional) *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, ~\$10.00

*Note: This is the first of two connected classes. Eucharist will start March 25<sup>th</sup>. It is recommended to take both classes.*

Walk through the Liturgy of the Mass with Bishop Barron and you'll be transformed by his insights on this most privileged and intimate encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ this side of heaven. The Mass will help you understand how to fully, consciously, and actively participate in the source and summit of the Christian life.

When we step through the church door before Mass, we are transported out of the imperfect world and into God's heavenly realm. In the Liturgy of the Word, we hear a call from God and provide a response from his people, the Church. In the Liturgy of the Eucharist, we are intimately joined with the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ and are bound together in the communion of saints that transcends time and place.

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**Bishop Robert Barron's Eucharist** \* Co-ed

**Every Friday Morning 6:15 am – 7:30 am** March 25 – May 6 (there will be no class on April 15 because it is Good Friday) in the Holy Family Hall

**Leader:** Rob Kratoska (920-204-0033 or kratoska@hotmail.com)

**Cost:** Participants will need the study guide, a Catholic study bible and *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

Eucharist Study Guide \$14.95 plus shipping (may depend on how many order)

(optional) Eucharist book by Robert Barron \$19.95 plus shipping

(optional) *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, ~\$10.00

*Note: This is the first of two connected classes. The Mass starts on February 4. It is recommended to take both classes.*

More than half of current Catholics do not know the Church's teaching on the "real presence of Christ" in the Eucharist. While it is an ineffable mystery, Vatican II called the Eucharist the "source and summit of the Christian life." Delve into the mystery of Christ's presence in your life, and the centrality of the Eucharist as an important part of that presence.

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**Abiding Together: 4-part series on the identity of Daughter of God** \* Women Only

**Leader:** Anne Brunette (920-266-7419 or [6brunettes@charter.net](mailto:6brunettes@charter.net)) and Christine Krizenesky

**Time:** 8:30 am – 11 am in the Holy Family Fireside Room

**Dates:** Jan 28, Feb 4, 18, 25

**Cost:** Free

This series helps us understand what it means to be a daughter of God. It helps us to trust the heart of God and receive our identity from the Father. We discuss the importance of believing that we are beloved children even when there are parts of our humanity and frailty that we do not love. Wounds, needs and redemption are explored as we support each other in our growth closer to God and our identity as beloved daughters.

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**FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students) SEEK22 Conference Talks** \* Women Only

**Leader:** Barb Fellers and Amy Teofilo (920-979-8304 or 920-251-7146)

**Saturday mornings 9am to 11:30 am** Saturday Feb 12 and 19 at Holy Family Fireside Room

**Cost:** Free

Two of Holy Family's young adult members, Caitlin Fellers & Noah Giebel are currently serving as FOCUS missionaries on UW college campuses. FOCUS is a Catholic Collegiate Outreach whose mission is to share the joy of the Gospel with college students. One of the many ways they inspire students is through their annual multi-day SEEK conference. Join our small group as we come together to listen to some of the SEEK22 talks from some of the best Catholic Speakers (Jason Evert, Sr. Miriam Heidland, Fr. Mike Schmitz & Dr. Edward Sri to name a few). Come to be empowered, encouraged and equipped to live as true missionary disciples within our parish and community.

## Mark Your Calendars!

Holy Family Parish Mission  
Joe Heschmeyer – February 27 and 28 and March 1, 2022  
6:30pm-8:00pm at Holy Family Church  
*Topic: The Prodigal Son*

Check here [https://www.hffd.org/areas\\_of\\_ministry/christian-formation/adult-ministry/parish-retreats-missions/](https://www.hffd.org/areas_of_ministry/christian-formation/adult-ministry/parish-retreats-missions/) for more details.

### **Books by Joe Heschmeyer**

*Pope Peter - Defending the Church's Most Distinctive Doctrine in a Time of Crisis*

*The Early Church Was the Catholic Church*

*A Man Named Joseph: Guardian for Our Times*

*Who Am I, Lord? Finding Your Identity in Christ*

Our next Women's Ministry Event is on  
September 15, 2022 at 6:00pm.

