

# Faith Formation Year 1: 2024-2025 Schedule

Preparing for the Sacraments begins with this first year of preparation. It is a family experience designed to bring light and life into your homes and hearts as you share the love of Jesus. This preparation process will take place both at church and at home through regular family meetings and sessions guided by Pathways Seek and Root.

There are 6 at home family meetings and 6 sessions at church. Students need to attend all church sessions with at least one parent. These sessions are designed to help parents guide and support you on this journey of faith with your children. All of the materials needed for the home family meetings will be distributed at the church sessions. Please understand that all of these dates are important elements of the faith formation process. Make up opportunities will not be available.

## Seek

Seek is a kerygmatic experience for parents and children, with age-appropriate content for each. Over the course of 4 at-church sessions participants will be invited on a journey to discover anew the good news of our faith by reflecting on the following themes: Community, Creation, Redemption, & Relationship.

**At Church Session 1: Monday, October 7th or Tuesday, October 8th 6:00-7:30pm**

**At Church Session 2: Monday, November 4th or Tuesday, November 5th 6:00-7:30pm**

**At Church Session 3: Monday, December 2nd or Tuesday, December 3rd 6:00-7:30pm**

**At Church Session 4: Monday, January 6th or Tuesday, January 7th 6:00-7:30pm**



## Root

Root is a foundational catechetical experience focusing on the Creed for children and parents, with age-appropriate content for each. Over the course of 6 at-home family meetings and 2 at-church sessions, parents will lead their children to get to know the Trinity and the essential teachings of our faith contained in the Creed. They will deepen their understanding of what we believe through hands-on activities and meaningful conversations.

**At Church Session 1: Monday, February 3rd or Tuesday, February 4th 6:00-7:30pm**

Meeting 1: February 9 – God Meets Us

Meeting 2: February 23 – Meet the Trinity

Meeting 3: March 2 – Meet the Holy Family

Meeting 4: March 16 - Meet Jesus

**At Church Session 2: Monday, March 31st or Tuesday, April 1st 6:00-7:30pm**

Meeting 5: April 13 – Meet the Holy Spirit

Meeting 6: April 27 – Meet our Forever Home



At the end of each Root meeting, you will use the online platform, Martha, to either upload a picture of your family activity, answer a question or, briefly share your experience with me. For your convenience, I will email everyone weekly reminders. If the Holy Spirit is moving your family forward at a quicker pace, please feel free to continue ahead of the schedules above.

**In addition, to the above meetings and sessions, each family is expected to attend and check-in at a minimum of 8 Elementary Encounters throughout the year. Elementary Encounters are simply some of the best events and gatherings Holy Trinity has to offer! The goal is for Faith Formation Families and students to experience church as a Catholic Community. After all, WE ARE THE CHURCH! See the calendar for dates and details.**