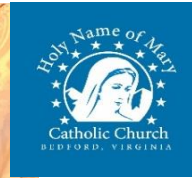


*This is my body  
given for you*

*Luke 22:19*



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## Holy Name of Mary Catholic Church Faith Formation Calendar (2022-23)

Pre-K to High School. Classes meet in Church. Sundays 9:20 AM - 10:30 AM

September 18, 2022 **Catechetical Sunday/ Opening Class- All Meet@ 9:15 AM in Church for Parent/Child Orientation**

September 25, 2022 PK - 12 Grade Class (\*Catechist talk to class and practise for recitation of the Rosary)

**Saturday, October 1, 2022 | VIRGINIA CATHOLIC DAY | Busch Gardens - Families Register on their own.**

October 2, 2022 PK - 12 Grade Class: **All attend presentation, followed by recitation of the Rosary (Class representation)**

October 9, 2022 PK - 12 Grade Class **(Altar Server & Choir Ministries talk to classes. Invite to join ministries)**

October 16, 2022 PK - 12 Grade Class **(Altar Server & Choir Ministries practice with those interested in joining)**

October 23, 2022 PK - 12 Grade Class (\*LIFETEEN Catechist talk to class/teen volunteers for organizing All Saints Day Event )

October 30, 2022 **All Saints Day Celebration : All attend (Organized by LIFETEEN)**

**Saturday, November 5, 2022 | NET CONFIRMATION RETREAT | St. Thomas More, Lynchburg - 10th Graders MUST attend**

November 6, 2022 PK - 12 Grade Class - **Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser (EDGE)**

November 13, 2022 PK - 12 Grade Class

November 20, 2022 PK - 12 Grade Class: **All attend Adoration & Benediction (Fr. Nixon/Deacon Mark to lead)**

November 27, 2022 **Thanksgiving Weekend. No Class**

December 4, 2022 PK - 12 Grade Class (\*LIFETEEN Catechist talk to class/teen volunteers for organizing Christmas Store)

**Saturday, December 10, 2022 | LIVE NATIVITY at HNM ( Volunteers needed)**

December 11, 2022 PK - 12 Grade Class

December 18, 2022 PK - 12 Grade Class: **Christmas Store (PK - 8 Grade) organized & managed by EDGE**

December 25, 2022 **Christmas Break. No Class**

January 1, 2023 **New Year's Break. No Class**

January 8, 2023 PK - 12 Grade Class - **Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser (LIFETEEN)**

January 15, 2023 PK - 12 Grade Class

January 22, 2023 PK - 12 Grade Class

January 29, 2023 PK - 12 Grade Class (*Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children*)

February 5, 2023 PK - 12 Grade Class (*Thu. Feb 2: World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life*)

**Friday-Sunday, February 10-12, 2023 | DYC| Greater Richmond Convention Center - Open to 8th-12th grade teens**

February 12, 2023 PK - 12 Grade Class

February 19, 2023 PK - 12 Grade Class (\*Catechist talk about Ash Wed/Lent.Practise how to make a good confession)

February 26, 2023 PK - 12 Grade Class: **First Sunday of Lent - Confession with Fr. Nixon (LIFETEEN)**

March 5, 2023 PK - 12 Grade Class : **Confession with Fr. Nixon (3-8 Grade) + \*Practice for Stations of the Cross**

March 12, 2023 **All attend Stations of the Cross presentation - EDGE & LIFETEEN presents the stations.**

March 19, 2023 PK - 12 Grade Class

March 26, 2023 PK - 12 Grade Class

April 2, 2023 **Palm Sunday (Holy Week Begins). No Class**

April 9, 2023 **Easter Sunday. No Class**

April 16, 2023 PK - 12 Grade Class: **All attend presentation, followed by recitation of Divine Mercy Chaplet (GRADE 2-5)**

April 23, 2023 PK - 12 Grade Class : **All attend end of year class party (\*Catechist send home text books, artwork etc with student)**

CALENDAR KEY

Combined class. All grades

Individual+ Combined class

Holidays. No Class

Diocesan Event

Total Sundays	32
Holidays	5
Total Number of Faith Formation Classes	27
Duration of Class (mins)	70
Total Number of Faith Formation Hours	32
Parish Activity Days	14

Upcoming Diocesan Events - FF Year 2023-24

March 12, 2023	Annual Scout Mass   Saint Mary, Richmond
June 6-9, 2023	Steubenville   Atlanta, GA
June 17-23, 2023	Work Camp   Wise, VA
August 19, 2023	EPIC   TBD
October 7, 2023	Virginia Catholic Day   Busch Gardens

## Parent Updates for 2022-23 Faith Formation Year

- **Faith Formation Fall Sessions 2022-23** - Classes kick-off on Catechetical **Sunday September 18, 2022** and end 2 weeks after Easter on **April 23, 2023**. These do not include Sacramental Prep Classes i.e. First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion (2<sup>nd</sup> Grade) and Confirmation (10<sup>th</sup> Grade), which will be held outside of regular Sunday classes. A separate email with Sacramental Prep Class schedule will be sent out once registration is submitted. However, candidates in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade due to receive these sacraments must also attend their weekly Sunday classes, in preparation of sincerely receiving the sacraments.
- **Class Duration** - This year class duration has been slightly reduced. We will have class from **9:20 AM to 10:30 AM**. The reduced time allows children to be able to eat a snack (optional, at McNally Hall) before heading to class. It also allows families attending the 11:00 AM mass to have some quiet time with their children and orient themselves for the 11:00 AM Mass.
- **Combined Class Events/Themes** – As was done in the past, we have included in the Faith Formation calendar, combined class events such as the Presentation of the Rosary, All Saints Day Celebration, Rosary, Adoration/Benediction of the Holy Eucharist, Stations of the Cross and the Christmas Store. We have also added new spiritual opportunities like confession with Fr. Nixon and recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and bringing about awareness regarding celebration of life (protection of the unborn) and vocations, specifically consecrated life. **All grades will be invited to attend these events (depending on age appropriateness) on Sundays during class time.**
- **Life Teen (6-8 Grades) and Edge (9-12 Grades) classes** – We are bringing back these classes to the pre-covid **regular Sunday timeslot** (along with the younger classes from 9:20 AM to 10:30 AM). Life Teen will be situated in the classroom downstairs (St. Michael the Archangel), while Edge will use the Classroom upstairs next to Catholic Café. McNally Hall will be available (upon request) for combined Life Teen + Edge activities or any activity that requires space/collaboration. That being said, because Life Teen & Edge classes met at least twice every month on Saturday evenings last year with great success, we will try to offer **Saturday evening classes once in a while** for teens to socialize, have outdoor activities and engage in fellowship and faith. These Saturday classes, together with the wider Diocesan organized youth/teen activities, will be standalone opportunities, outside of the regular Sunday Faith Formation Curriculum & planned in collaboration with the Life Teen & Edge Catechists and dependent on their availability. I will reach out to families/Catechists with updates and details each time an event like this is planned.

