



ASCENSION  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

# ASCENSION ASSEMBLY

FAITH FORMATION COMMISSION



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# How the Commissions Work Together



### Engagement

When the Holy Spirit inspires people to connect to our mission, this team is ready to welcome them into our parish family.



### Evangelization

After the invitation to join is accepted, these programs help reveal the truth, goodness, and beauty of our faith.



### Faith Formation

Ongoing formation helps strengthen practicing Catholics and share spiritual heritage with newcomers.



### Liturgical Life

Our spiritual hunger is satisfied in the Eucharist and through the gift of the Sacraments, made manifest in our Liturgical life.



### Social Justice

Our relationship with Christ and confidence in truths of the Gospel deepens our faith, calling us to serve those in need.



### Stewardship

With grateful and generous hearts, we give our first fruits back to God, and work to ensure that our mission can continue.



### Education

We look to the future, forming the next generation into active, engaged Catholics ready to take ownership and live faithfully.



**Starts over again!**





FAITH FORMATION

# The Faith Formation Commission

Those on the Faith Formation Commission cultivate and create opportunities for spiritual growth.

Together, we:

- Form parishioners to deepen their faith, and to equip them to share it with others effectively
- Build an ongoing multi-format, multi-location, multi-time curriculum of faith formation
- Create new programs to support parishioners in living faith-filled lives
- Provide faith formation opportunities for Ascension teens and adults

Ministries, Organizations and Programs: Middle School and High School, Adult Faith Large Faith Formation Groups: Women of the Word, Wednesday AM/PM Faith Groups, Men's 55, and Men's Awakening, Adult Faith Small Faith Sharing Groups: Regular Joes and Discipleship Groups, Leadership Formation: Welcome Team and EQUIP Groups, and the Vocations Committee







EMPOWER  
THE LAITY

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While continuing to prepare and empower laity for leadership roles within the church, we need to build connections among all our members. We must work collaboratively to evangelize effectively.

- We are forming parishioners to share their faith others.
  - EQUIP: Form adults as missionary disciples and Discipleship Group leaders
  - Moms Transmit the Faith – Form Moms to pass on their faith to their children
- We are building a "tool kit" of faith formation programs.
  - Christian Life: Sacraments and Prayer
  - Marriage and Family Enrichment
  - Human and Supernatural Virtues
  - Apostolate: Spreading the Faith
  - Doctrinal and Ideological Controversies
  - Bible Study







**FOSTER STRONGER  
COMMUNITY**

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Next, we must consider new and accomplished ways to engage to a higher level all our members, especially those already on campus for other activities. Build the community by lifting up all in prayer and charity.

- We are creating new programs to support parishioners in living faith-filled lives.
  - Marriage Enrichment







PROCLAIM THE  
GOSPEL ACCESSIBLY

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Third, we will proclaim the Gospel message in an authentic manner that is accessible to all. Make the Gospel message personal and alive as you share the truth, goodness, and beauty of God with others.

- We are providing faith formation opportunities for Ascension teens and adults.
  - Parish Mission with Father Chris Martin
  - Discipleship Groups
  - Catechetical Series with our Associates, Fr. Pollman & Fr. Schumacher







ENSURE STRUCTURE  
BENEFITS MISSION

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Finally, we must continue to ensure current structures are benefitting the mission. We must position our efforts in such a way all things work together for the good of all. We must engage that hard evaluation of each ministry's effectiveness. Each ministry should evaluate how their work directly enhances the larger community.

- We continue to assess the effectiveness of our ministries' activities.
  - WINGS - disbanded
  - Youth Ministry Open Office - changing to scripture study





# *Winterfest 2023*

Learn more about our ministries and programs!

January 29, 2023 | MPR & Gym



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# Questions?

If you have any questions, you are welcome to ask



## Thank You...