## St. John XXIII Family Faith Enrichment Sessions 2024-25

St. John XXIII Parish is excited to offer the following "Family Faith Enrichment Sessions" to all of our parishioners. As a family that participates in our CRE program with a child in grades K-5, we ask that you attend at least one of these sessions during the 2024-25 academic year *in addition to* one of the Parish mission sessions in February. Of course, you are welcome to attend more than one! All sessions take place on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month (except the Parish Mission) from 6:00-7:00pm in rooms 141/142.

For planning purposes, please sign up for the sessions you plan to attend at least one week in advance. You may register online here: <u>qr.link/164T0q</u> (or scan the QR code at the end of this document)

**September 23 – "Creation and Community"** In this session, we will look at how we as Catholics are called to care for all of God's creation which includes our neighbors. We will put our learning into action using our own creativity to reach out to those in our community too!

**October 28 – "Saints and Service"** As we prepare for All Saints Day, we will look at how some of our role models in the faith lived their call to love and serve others. In that spirit, we will live out our call to holiness in our own small way through a mini service project.

**November 25 – "Unwrapping the Gift"** This Advent Gathering focuses on Jesus being the best gift we receive each Christmas. The activities point us to the excitement of Jesus's upcoming Birthday through family conversations, prayer, activities, and practical reflections.

January 27 – "Hands to Serve, Hearts to Love" During this session, we will have hands-on service opportunities and practical teachings on our call to be ambassadors of Christ's love and mercy for all.

**February 16, 17\* and 18 – Parish Mission: Church Fully Alive!** Dynamic speaker Joe Farris will lead our parish through reflections on how we are ALL called to be the Church and our role in making the Church fully alive! (ALL CRE families are expected to attend one of the three sessions offered. Monday the 17<sup>th</sup> will be focused specifically on families with school aged children. Registration coming soon – watch your email!)

March 24 – "Journey to Calvary" We will walk through a family friendly Stations experience focused on how Jesus' ultimate sacrifice calls each of us to share our gifts with others

**April 28 – "We Have a Mission"** This event will focus on creating a simple family mission statement for the new opportunities and challenges to come. How can your family make faith part of their mission?

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