SCRIPTURE STUDY

"By the reading of the Scripture I am so renewed that all nature seems renewed around me and with me. The sky seems to be a purer, a cooler blue, the trees a deeper green, light is sharper on the outlines of the forest and the hills, and the whole world is charged with the glory of God, and I find fire and music in the earth under my feet." ***Thomas Merton***

We come to know God the Father's love by developing a personal relationship with Jesus. Just as we deepen human relationships through word and touch, we deepen our intimacy with our God through His touch in the sacraments and His word in the sacred scriptures. Come to a greater knowledge and understanding of the love your God has for you by joining one of our study groups. The scripture programs include weekly sessions of dvd lectures, prayer and sharing. Complete the form below and return to the Parish Center or call 203-375-5887 to register. Please cooperate with the deadline so that the correct number of books may be ordered.

Classes Start Week of September 20, 2016

Tuesday 9:30 a.m.: Acts of the Apostles
Wednesday 9:30 a.m.: Women of the Old Testament
Thursday 9:30 a.m.: Acts of the Apostles

REGISTRATION - SCRIPTURE STUDY

Complete and return to Parish Center by Wednesday, September 7

NAME:_____PHONE:_____

ADDRESS: _____

Title of Study:_____

Classes begin the week of September 20

Tuesday_____Wednesday ___ Thursday___

Study Set - $20: Cash ____ Check ___
Bible (if needed) $12 Cash ___ Check ___

Late registrations cannot be guaranteed books on starting dates!

Exodus 14: 10-31
The parting of the Red Sea

1. Recall a time in your life when you felt the Lord was calling you to go in a particular direction, to carry out a particular plan and you attempted to do so.

2. After you had attempted to follow his will what obstacles did you begin to experience?

3. How did you call out to him in anger, frustration or dicouragement?

4. How were those obstacles removed to enable you to accomplish your goal?

5. Did you respond in thanksgiving at the time? Or did you recognize his intervention in hindsight?

Scripture Study
Meeting of Facilitators
Tuesday, September 14, 2005

Opening Prayer – Lectio Divina – Sunday gospel – September 18

- Class Lists distributed – Please call those from Winter 2005 who have not yet registered

- Wisdom book texts distributed – Seven Classes

1- Introduction
2-6 – Study guides
7 – Read beforehand and discuss chapter from Purpose Driven Life on importance of reading and studying Bible to continue spiritual maturity

- New students – Please give : 3 pamphlets on bible, lectio instruction sheet, prayer, hand-outs on attending Eucharist and Scripture reading – Copies will be on tv cart

- At some point, please discuss with class:
  Lectio
  Eucharist
  Scripture reading
  Evangelization – goal: to bring someone to Scripture study – either our classes, personal study, small group of own

- Discussion on :
  Jeff Cavins Bible program – possibility of parish all day event and perhaps use of his program

  Ways to evangelize

  Library Committee – newly formed – goals and plans
  Scripture Study area- tv, tables and chairs, resources

- Viewed Introduction
- Closing Prayer and Gift Books!

Last Session for Scripture Classes – Fall 2005

1. General Discussion on chapter from Purpose Driven Life on the importance of studying Scripture.

2. I would like to hear your suggestions for promoting Scripture Study in St. James Community of Faith. Please record and return ideas to me!

What can we do within St. James?

What can you do personally?

At this time we do the following:

- Offer formal 7-10 week studies at a variety of times, both day and evening, in the Fall and Winter
- Offer introductory and overview courses on a rotating basis on Monday evenings in the Fall and Winter and in the summer during the day
- Promote and sell Sunday Missals
- Encourage the reading of the following Sunday's gospel at the beginning of Parish meetings
- "Praying with Scripture", a prayer group, meets on Thursday mornings. A holy hour is followed by Lectio Divina with following Sunday's gospel.
- Children's Liturgy of the Word is done at morning Masses on Sundays.

Thank you for your continued dedication to studying the SacredWord!

Scripture Study

Facilitators' Meeting

Monday, June 12, 2006
7:30-9:00
St. James Parish Center
RSVP- 375-5887, ext. 102