

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH



Welcome to Faith Formation!

BUILDING FAMILIES OF FAITH

I am so excited to begin this year with you, helping to form the faith lives of your children and to lead them closer to our Lord. This year I am going to challenge you and your family to grow deeper in faith together. Living a life of faith starts in the home. I want to help uplift you each step of the way. At times it won't be easy. I will call you to deeper participation and holiness. I want to help give you and your children an authentic, Catholic life. After all, this is not our permanent home. We are all working toward that eternal reward.

This is the time and the place where we need to put in the work. We need to build that relationship with God now. We need to help our children build that foundational relationship with Him first and foremost. There are so many distractions in this world, so many things to do, places to go, and things to get done. But let's do our best to not lose sight of God in all that chaos. Let's work together to make Him our first priority. I can promise you that when you do, your family will be stronger, happier, healthier, and holier. Let's do this together!

Warmly,

Briana Maggio

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2022-2023 STEAS

Level 3 Expectations

REQUIREMENTS FOR LEVEL 3 COMPLETION

This page contains the required events, assignments, and prayers that your child will need to complete, learn, and attend in order to move forward in their Faith Formation.

KEY ELEMENTS

Weekly Sunday Mass

Mass attendance is the most important item on this list. It is
 mandatory. It is the cornerstone of our faith and will be treated
 accordingly for our program.

Catechism Class

• One weekly online lesson, done at home with parental assistance.

Kids 10 Commandments

• 5 In-person events designed to teach children further about the Ten Commandments and about the events after the Exodus from Egypt.

Formed: Lukas Story Teller

- Watch the designated Lukas Story Teller Episodes for the month.
- Submit the corresponding worksheet each month.

Prayers

• 6 prayers that your child needs to know before the end of this year.



AT HOME FAMILY LEARNING

Lessons may be completed at your own convenience, on any day of the week you choose. We will review student progress on a monthly basis. **Children need to maintain a cumulative grade of 70% or higher to pass for the year.**

If your child does not pass a quiz and would like to try again, they are allowed a second attempt. Please email steasdre@optimum.net with your child's name and the lesson number you need reset.

Each lesson is broken down into 7 simple steps. To really get the most out of this program, ensure your child completes each step fully.

- **1. Introduction:** Includes the historical background on the topic as well as a clear, concise description of the material to be covered.
- **2. Opening Prayer:** All we do should begin and end in prayer. In the case of these lessons, the prayers are often related directly to the material being studied.
- 3. Scripture: Our faith is deeply rooted in the Word of God.
- **4. Church Documents & Catechism References:** Various Catholic Catechisms as the writings of the Popes and the saints, give clear instruction and inform us on the Sacred Tradition of the Holy Catholic Faith.
- **5. Integration:** We reflect and integrate Scripture and Tradition by explaining the topic at hand in a way that deepens the understanding of topic beyond what most other programs offer.
- **6. Activity:** An age appropriate activity is included that ranges from coloring or word searches (for younger children) to learning prayers, living out the Faith in a community, or practicing the spiritual or corporal works of mercy (for older children and adults). The Faith must be lived our in practice and we give concrete ideas to do so.
- **7. Closing Prayer:** We begin and end in prayer and make the entire teaching a form of prayer! As Christ Himself taught us, "Pray without ceasing.".

\checkmark	Week of	Lesson #	Lesson Topic	
	9/25	1	Creation	
	10/2	2	Noah & the Great Flood	
	10/9	3	The Tower of Babel	
	10/16	4	Abraham & Issac	
	10/23	5	Jacob	
	10/30	6	Joseph & the Famine	
	11/6	7	Moses & the Ten Commandments	
	11/13	8	Joshua, Judges, Ruth, Samuel	
	11/27	9	Saul, David, Solomon	
	12/4	10	Annunciation	
	12/11	11	Visitation	
	12/18	12	Nativity of the Lord	
	1/1	13	Presentation in the Temple	
	1/8	14	Finding in the Temple	
	1/15	15	Baptism of Christ	
	1/22	16	Wedding at Cana	
	1/29	17	Proclamation of the Kingdom of God	
	2/5	18	Transfiguration	
	2/12	19	Institution of the Eucharist	
	2/26	20	Agony in the Garden Scourging of the Pillar	
	3/5	21		
	3/12	22	Crowning with Thorns	
	3/19	23	Carrying of the Cross	
	3/26	24	Crucifixion of Our Lord	
	4/16	25	Resurrection of Our Lord	
	4/23	26	Ascension of Our Lord	
	4/30	27	Pentecost	
	5/7	28	Assumption of Mary	
	5/14	29	Coronation of Mary	

LEVEL 3

atechism Class Schedule

How to Access your Less

ON CATECHISMCLASS.COM

- 1. Open your web browser and go to <u>catechismclass.com.</u>
- 2. Click "Log In" at the top of the page.
- 3. Provide username and password. Each student has been given a separate username and password. The student's username will be his or her first and last name, with the first letter capitalized with no spaces.

Login to Your Account Login Forgot UserName | Forgot Password

Example: Brianamaggio

The student's password will be the capitalized first initial of their name, last name capitalized, and the number 2020

Example: BMaggio2020

Note: If the student's full name is less than 8 letters long, please call the office to get their proper username.

4. Once you log in to your child's account, you will see a list of lessons that have been assigned to you. These lessons can be accessed any time, on any device. They are yours to keep years into the future.



- Kids 10 Commandments

IN-PERSON MONTHLY MOVIE & CRAFT EVENT

Just after the escape of the Israelites from slavery in Egypt, God's chosen people find themselves encamped in the desert just below Mount Sinai. As God works through Moses to reconnect with His people, we see how the years spent in slavery and in a foreign land and foreign gods has truly confused the hearts of the people. God gives His people the Ten Commandments to help align their hearts back to Him.

In this cartoon series, we will see how those commandments help guide the people of Israel and what happens when those commandments aren't kept. Each episode focuses in on a few of those commandments. Each event will also include an awesome crafting experience.



CLASS SCHEDULE						
Date	Episode	Lesson Topic	Commandment(s)			
10/17	1	The Not So Golden Calf	1			
11/14	2	The Rest is Yet to Come	2 & 3			
12/12	3	A Life & Seth Situation	4 & 5			
1/16	4	Stolen Jewels, Stolen Hearts	6 & 7			
3/13	5	Toying with the Truth	8, 9, & 10			









While in one of his adventures in the Sea of Galilee, Lukas met Jesus and was so impressed and gratified that now together with his old friend Noah, a turtle survivor of Noah's Ark, gather and tell the greatest stories of all times of Jesus and all the Saints that Lukas met through the ages... Discover how these stories full of music and fun changed the lives of the youngest of the reef: Ana, Paul, Agnes and Peter.

For each month, have your child watch the selected episodes. Then complete the Lukas Storyteller for each episode. (Each episode will have its own worksheet, so some months they may need to complete two.)

OCTOBER



Saint Therese of the Child Jesus and Prayer (10 mins)

Peter and Paul are excited to be in the finals of the reef baseball championship. They are nervous about their big moment, but Lukas teaches our friends how to speak to God in prayer following the example of Saint Therese of the Child Jesus.



Padre Pio and the Power of a Clean Soul (12 mins)

As the talent contest approaches and our friends prepare their special dance. Paul gets hurt and has to leave the contest. When Lukas takes him to the doctor, Paul learns form the example of Padre Pio about the importance of having a clean soul and offering his sufferings to God.

NOVEMBER



Saint Catherine of Siena and the Joy of Living (12 mins)

Peter and Paul compete to be the class president. Noah tells them the story of Saint Catherine of Siena, and they learn the importance of respect for others and nature.

DECEMBER



Christmas Special: The True Meaning of Christmas (24 mins)

Christmas is coming and our friends Peter, Agnes, Paul and Anna expect to receive many gifts. but when they caught in one of their antics. Lukas and Noah will help them understand the true story of Christmas and how the birth of the Son of God should change our hearts.

JANUARY



Saint Anthony of Padua and Telling the Truth (12 mins)

The fair has reached the reef and our friends must earn their ticket. Peter gets into trouble and thanks to his sister, Agnes, and his friends, Lukas and Noah, we learn an important lesson - following the example of Saint Anthony of Padua- about always telling the truth.



Saint John Paul II and Joy (11 mins)

Anna, the littlest one, is tired and bored from always playing the same thing when suddenly she finds herself at the sunken Noah's ark! Lukas can't resist on telling her a wonderful story about a Pope who was once a child and enjoyed playing like she did; Anna wouldn't believe how his story ended and what she was about to do following St. John Paul II's example! With no doubt, Anna and her friends ended that day having more fun than any other!

FEBRUARY



Saint Valentine and Friendship (11 mins)

Ana feels frustrated. She wants to be everyone's best friend. Lukas tells her the story of St. Valentine to help her understand the meaning and value of friendship.



Saint Maximilian Kolbe and Gratefulness (12 mins)

Our friends take a trip to a camp that Lukas has prepared, but they soon begin to miss the comforts of their home. Inspired by the heroic life of St. Maximilian Kolbe, Lukas helps them understand that they should always be grateful for what they have.

MARCH



Saint Joseph and the Virtue of Obedience (12 mins)

When things get off to a rough start as Anna, Agnes, Peter and Paul train for a baseball match, Noah shares the story of St. Joseph helping them to imitate his example and learn the virtue of obedience

APRIL



Saint Luke and the Call to be a Saint (12 mins)

In this inspiring episode, Lukas helps his friends discover the meaning of their names as they learn about their patron saints, while Lukas recalls his own encounter with Jesus and how it changed his life forever.



Mother Teresa and the Love to Others (12 mins)

Lukas invites all his friends to a great adventure at the dark reef. As soon as they arrive, they are afraid to help and play with some old forgotten friends so Lukas and Noah share with them the story of St. Teresa of Calcutta and how she asked God for a big heart so She could love everybody. The story changes their lives and helps them to come back to the reef and have a great day with acts of love.

MAY



Saint Anne and Joachim and Grandparents Unconditional Love (12 mins)

As the kids of the reef prepare in excitement for grandparents day. Paul is sad because he never knew his own grandparents. Noah helps him learn more about them and tells him the story of Anne and Joachim, the grandparents of Jesus. Lukas show us how grandparents fill us with love, and through their example, bring us closer to Jesus.



Lukas Storyteller

My name is _____



Today, Lukas taught me about this saint: (circle one)

Therese of the Child Jesus Padre Pio Catherine of Siena Joseph Anthony of Padua John Paul II Valentine Mother Teresa Anne & Joachim Luke Maximilian Kolbe Christmas Special

My 3 Favorite Things I Learned in this Episode were
1.
2.
3.

Learning about our Faith is more fun together! Who watched Lukas Storyteller with you?



These six prayers are the starting point for all recited prayer. They build the base of the rosary and should be prayed daily. You should pray these prayers each day in the morning and in the evening. Start your day with your child in prayer, maybe saying them together on the way to school or as a gentle way to wake them up. End each day as you are tucking your children into bed. Ask them what they are thankful for today or who they would like to pray for. Before meals though out the day, be sure to thank God with the Pray Before Meals.

By making prayer a part of your family's daily routine, memorizing these will be easy. Not only is prayer a way for us to connect with God, but it is also a way for parents to connect with their children. Use prayer to grow closer to them!

How to Lead Your Children in Prayer

Begin with the Sign of the Cross.

- 1. Sentence Prayer. You can help your children pray aloud by giving them a sentence to complete, such as:
 - a. "Lord, I thank you for ..."
 - b. "Lord, forgive me for ..."
 - c. "Lord, help my friend ..."
 - d. "Lord, help me be more ..."
 - e. "Lord, help me to let go of ..."
 - f. "Lord, give me the courage to ..."
 - g. "Lord, one of the fears I need help with is ..."
- 2. Highs and Lows. Ask your children what their "highs" were from the day, and then ask them about their "lows" from the day. Share your highs and lows as well, and then pray for them together.
- 3. Prayer Journal. Share your prayer requests with the other members of your family and then record them in a prayer journal. One person can pray for all the requests you've listed for the day. The next time you pray together, look over the requests you listed previously and update any changes and answers. This is a good way to see how God has been active in your prayer lives.

Then end with the prayers below. You can have them choose which ones they would like to say! Conclude with the *Sign of the Cross*.

Our Father

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Glory Be

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Guardian Angel Prayer

Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.

Prayer Before Meals

Bless us, O Lord, and these thy gifts, which we are about to receive, from thy bounty, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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