

April 9, 2026

Christian Formation Report to Pastoral Council

All sacramental and religious ed calendars can be found on the small bulletin board across from room 3.

Christian Formation Program (CFP Kindergarten-5 religious education):

The Children made posters of the Stations of the Cross and presented them to the parish after Mass on Sunday, March 15.

First Eucharist Preparation: Classes began Feb. 25 and will meet 4 times on Wednesday evenings. The children and a parent also attended a 4-hour retreat at Holy Family on March 14. They will receive the Eucharist for the first time during 9:30 Mass on May 3, 2026. Elaine will coordinate with the musicians for music.

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be offered April 19

Youth Ministry (grades 6-12 Religious education)

The youth presented the Stations of the Cross to the Parish on Friday, March 20 at 7:00 p.m. Nine Resurrection parishioner participated in the annual diocesan pilgrimage on March 28.

- **Summer Service** We have met our goal for fundraising for the year!
- **Confirmation Preparation Class:** Confirmation candidates will meet with their sponsors on Sunday, April 26.

Adult Faith Formation

Taize Prayer was held on March 13. 5:30 with a soup and bread dinner. It was a great turnout with a wonderful opportunity for fellowship and prayer.

Women's Catholic Bible Study-

Walking With Purpose

_"Opening Your Heart: The Starting Point"

We will start with the second session of 8 weeks in March/April 2026 and complete the 22 weeks course in the Fall of 2026

Tuesday March 3rd to April 21st.

1:30-3:00 p.m. 1969 Room

Led by Kate Regan and Mary Eisele

Offering suggested \$20.00

Christian Formation Committee will meet on Thursday May 14.

Starting fall of 2026

Iron Hill Deanery

Deanery-wide Lenten morning of reflection was held on Saturday, March 7.

Each parish prepared a trifold poster to highlight some of their ministries.

Linda Malm created the trifold. The trifold is being kept and will be used in the future.

The Diocese has restructured the Deaneries. <https://thedialog.org/featured/bishop-koenigs-united-in-christ-update-going-beyond-pre-established-boundaries-experimenting-with-joint-pastoral-initiatives/>

St. Polycarp in Smyrna, DE and St. Dennis in Galena, MD are joining the Iron Hill Deanery.

Diocese:

The Diocese continues to promote Damascus Summer Camp, A Catholic Summer Camp near Emmitsburg, MD.