

## Catholic Bishops of the United States Make Adult Faith Formation a Priority

Realizing that unless parents and other adults know their Catholic faith they cannot teach and be examples for their children and others, the Catholic Bishops of the U.S. have written "Our Hearts Were Burning Within Us", A Pastoral Plan for Adult Faith Formation in the United States. In that document, they write, "We, as the Catholic bishops of the United States, call the Church in our country to a renewed commitment to adult faith formation, positioning it at the heart of our catechetical vision and practice." 05/2001

As a result of this directive from the United States Council of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) Parishes around the country have been working to make this vision a reality with adult formation and whole community catechesis offerings. At St. Philips we began to incorporate this vision in 2003 with a formation process we call Generational Faith Formation, which offers a variety of opportunities for all members of our community to share our faith and learn together.

## Youth activity night

**What:** Activities, ritual, and prayer  
**When:** The fourth Wednesday of each month  
**Where:** To be determined  
**Who:** Youth grades 2-11

The fourth Wednesday of each month provides youth in grades 2-11 youth ministry activities that reinforce Catholic teachings and build Catholic Identity. Students will participate in activities appropriate to their age level.

## Kid's Community

**What:** An introduction to our Catholic faith  
**When:** The first and third Sundays of each month  
**Where:** The Education Center 225 E third street  
**Who:** Children ages 3 - grade 1

The first and third Sunday of each month we will gather with our youngest members to learn about our faith through activities, stories, crafts, games and music. Children will meet from 9:15 -10:15 a.m.

\*Registration forms for Generational Faith Formation offerings are available at the Education Center, Church, and at the Parish Office.

\*Attendance will be taken at all sessions