

## Community Faith Night

**What:** Educational opportunities for all parishioners  
**When:** The first Wednesday of each month 7-8:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Sessions will take place at Church  
**Who:** All parishioners are invited to participate

All members of St. Philip's parish are invited to participate in these educational evenings. Children in grades 2-11 are required to attend with an adult.

These evenings provide parents with the opportunity, time and resources to discuss the Catholic faith and traditions with their children. Parents are encouraged to reflect on their own experiences and share stories of faith with their children.

We will gather in church for opening prayer, and will then break up for activities and discussion surrounding our monthly topic. Our theme this year is Sacrament.

Gatherings are designed to give adults the opportunity for real conversation about sacraments within the family and connect the sacraments to our daily life. These evenings offer children and their parents faith-filled opportunities to interact with one another and other families.

Additional resources and materials will be sent home with an abundance of simple yet meaningful ways to nurture family spirituality and continue faith sharing in the home.

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## Community Service Night

**What:** Service projects in our community  
**When:** The second Wednesday of each month  
**Where:** We will gather at Church in the Fellowship Hall  
**Who:** All parishioners are invited to participate

Serving one's neighbor is the calling we all have been given through our baptism. Service is motivated out of first being loved by God. We respond to God's love by loving others and attending to their needs.

Service projects have been shown to be a vital way to pass on the faith from generation to generation. Children and youth are greatly influenced by what they see in the lives of others, especially parents and other family members.

Service night activities will begin at church with prayer and background information on the project for the evening. We will end our evenings with fellowship provided by various Parish Committees, church groups and organizations. Children in Grades 2-11 are required to attend four service night activities.

"The central task of education is to implant a will and facility for learning; it should produce not learned but learning people. The truly human society is a learning society, where grandparents parents and children are students together."

-Eric Hoffer, American Social Philosopher

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