

Youth Faith Formation Schedule ~ 2008-2009

Clusters | Family Taught | Teen Christian Community | Beyond
 Grades 6-12, Church of Saint John Neumann

October 5	Opening Session (ALL 6 th -12 th grade programs) (※)
12	BREAK
19	BREAK (<i>Celebrating Our Cultures</i>)
26	Session (※)
(※) indicates nights when "Beyond" is meeting!	
November 2	Session
9	Session (※)
16	Session
23	Session (※)
30	BREAK (<i>Happy Thanksgiving!</i>)
December 7	Session
14	Session (※)
21	Youth Advent Party – all youth at 4:15! (※)
28	BREAK <i>Have a blessed Christmas celebration!</i>
January 4	Session
11	Session (※)
18	BREAK
25	Session (※)
February 1	BREAK (Catechist Enrichment: 1:30-2:30)
8	Session (※)
15	BREAK
22	Session (※)
March 1	Session
8	Session (※)
15	Session
22	BREAK
29	Session (※)
April 5	Parish Reconciliation Service, 7:45 p.m. (today's only event)
12	BREAK <i>Have a beautiful Easter!</i>
19	Session (※)
26	Closing Celebration (for all youth & parents) (※)

Group Session Times, Absences, etc.

Unless otherwise noted, all sessions begin PROMPTLY at 4:15 and 7:15.

Always notify us at 651.454-2079, x2218 *prior to absence*, or contact your child's catechist directly.

Ministry Mailbox E-4 is for catechists to leave items for parents (and vice-versa); check with catechist for details. Prearranged use only, please!

Catechist Training and Formation

(Clusters, Teen Christian Community)

Sunday, September 21 – 1:30-4:00 p.m. – SJN Social Area

-or-

Sunday, September 28 – 1:30-4:00 p.m. – SJN Social Area

(choose just ONE training session – they are identical!)

Grade-Level Retreats (for all youth in any of our programs!)

6th Grade Retreat – November 20 (Thursday) – 6:00-9:00 p.m.

7th Grade Retreat – February 6 (Friday) – 6:00-9:00 p.m.

8th Grade Retreat – February 26 (Thursday) – 6:00-9:00 p.m.

9th Grade Retreat #1 – November 22 (Saturday) – 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

9th Grade Retreat #2 – January 31 (Saturday) – 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Confirmation

See Confirmation schedule for other meetings, liturgies, retreats, etc.

Sunday, September 28 – Rite of Welcome – 6:00 p.m. Mass

(bring Baptism Certificate!)

" " " Candidate/Sponsor/Parent Gathering – 7:15 p.m.

Program Directors

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"Beyond," grades 11-12+; Confirmation Retreats & Gatherings
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Miscellaneous Dates

- ✓ Celebrating *Our* Cultures! October 18-19. SJN is rich with diversity ~ we celebrate with worship, food, song, dance, & fellowship!
- ✓ SJN Fall Concert: November 7, 7:00 p.m. Featuring SJN adults, youth, & children showcasing their wonderful talent, all for the glory of God.
- ✓ Parish Retreat: March 9-11 ~ come and be inspired & refreshed with our Retreat leaders, Deacons Eddie Ensley and Robert Herrmann.

New Curricula for 2008-2009!

Youth in grades 6-12 have new curricula this year!
 Grades 6-8 will follow *Blest Are We*, which provides a dynamic, colorful approach to the teachings of Jesus and his Church.
 Grades 9-12 will be immersed in an exciting program titled Total Catechesis, which is structured after the same four pillars as the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* – The Creed, Liturgy and Sacraments, Christian Morality, and Prayer and Worship.
 All youth in grades 6-12 (Clusters, Beyond, Family Taught, and TCC) will use these curricula.

Prohibited Behavior Policy Orientation

All leaders (TCC & Cluster catechists, chaperones, drivers, etc.) *must* attend one "PBO" session.

- ✓ September 15, 10:00 a.m.
- ✓ September 17, 7:00 p.m.
- ✓ October 2, 7:00 p.m.
- ✓ October 27, 7:00 p.m.
- ✓ November 13, 7:00 p.m.

Sign up with the parish receptionist: 651.454-2079.