



### Faith Formation Plan 2020-2021

Overall Goal: To become familiar with the symbolism, history and meaning of our Catholic prayers.

### Objectives:

- I can recite all or part of the Catholic prayers we are studying in class.
- I can discuss and share prayers with others.
- I can grow in understanding of the prayers which are within the traditions of my Catholic faith.

We discussed setting aside one Tuesday meeting of each month for Faith Formation as we have done in the past. During the first Tuesday, a team will introduce, teach and model the prayer. During the following months Tuesday Faith Formation meeting the entire faculty will share insights into how they have integrated the prayer and our Catholic faith into their curriculum and daily experiences with the students.

The four prayers to be studied this year are as follows:

September and October ~ Saint Michael Prayer

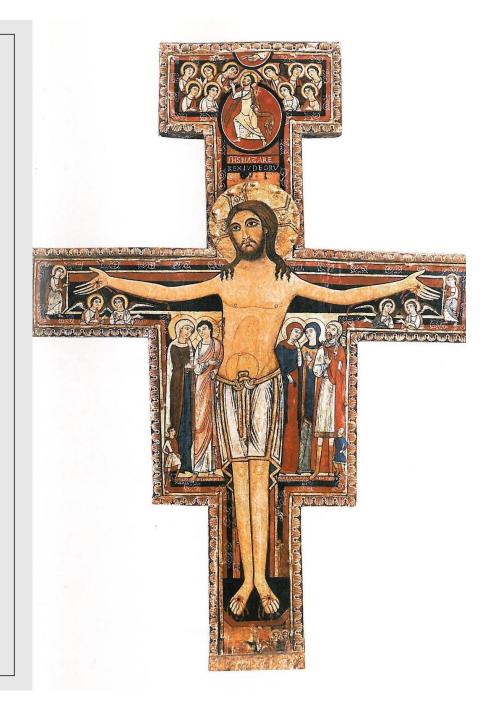
November and December ~ Our Father

January and February ~ The Nicene Creed

End of April and May ~ The Hail Mary

## Mission of the Faith Formation Team St. Josaphat Parish School

The mission
of our Faith Formation Committee
here at St. Josaphat Parish School is
to nurture the faith formation of our adults, youth and children to acknowledge God in their lives,
promote a personal relationship with Jesus Christ,
and to embrace the empowerment of God's Holy Spirit.



### St. Josaphat Parish School (SPJS) Expectations of Faculty and Staff

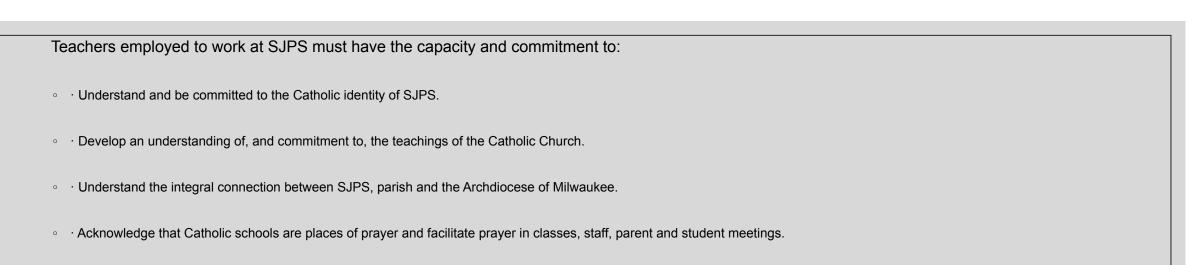
The Conventual Franciscan Friars of the Basilica of St. Josaphat are a worldwide community of priests and brothers who follow the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the spirit of their founder, St. Francis of Assisi. These friars continually strive to grow in their relationship with Jesus through a life of prayer and ministry. As members of a religious order within the Roman Catholic Church, they embrace the vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience.

Every teacher in St. Josaphat Parish School has a significant role in the mission and life of the Church. In partnership with parents, pastors and the faith community, a teacher is expected to contribute to the evangelization and formation of children in the Catholic faith.

Teachers and staff are involved in the mission and life of the Catholic Church. Teachers and staff are involved in the mission and life of the Catholic Church.

Teachers and staff work to be examples of Catholic beliefs, practices and doctrine in relationship to each other and in witness to our students, families and community. They also embrace the Social Teaching Themes which are the heart of Catholic tradition.

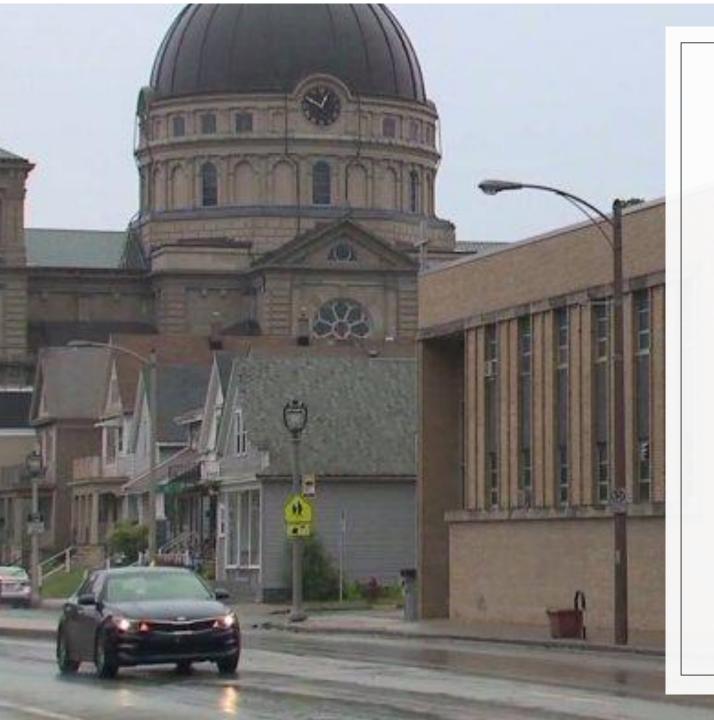
- Life and dignity of the human person
- Call to family, community and participation
- Rights and responsibilities
- Options for the poor and vulnerable
- The dignity of work and the rights of workers
- Solidarity
- Care for God's creation



- · Understand the importance of religious education of students and seek to integrate Catholic values in the teaching of other curricular areas.
- Encourage a culture in the school which enables a personal encounter with Christ, and which promotes the teachers of the Church.
- · Appreciate their roles in receiving and proclaiming the Good News by word and deed, and by the example of their lives.
- Support parents and families to evangelize and catechize their children.
- Create effective and growth promoting learning environments that recognize the dignity and value of every student and implement best practices so that every student can know success.

Teachers and staff create daily experiences for prayer and reflection. They should embed Catholic teachers into cross-curricular lessons.

Students, teachers, and staff recite Catholic prayers before meals and during the day. They should also fully participate in the sacramental life of the Church.



St. Josaphat Parish School Mission In our learning community, students will enrich their relationship with God, acquire an excellent academic foundation, and become good Catholic citizens.

Our Mission is lived daily in each classroom through, work, thought and deed.

St. Josaphat Parish School Students

Pray at the start of each school day, before lunch and when ever school or class intentions call for special reflection.

Attend all-school Masses hosted by a different class each week and during holy seasons.

Engage in school-wide rosary Devotionals and other prayer services.

Prepare for the sacraments.

Experience Adoration and Reconciliation.

Assist in community service projects.

# A Glimpse into the Past, Hope for the Future. A History of St. Josaphat School



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A History of St. Josaphat Parish School

St. Josaphat School has a rich history on the south side of Milwaukee. In the late 1800's, Polish immigrants were streaming into Milwaukee. In 1888, a group of 317 immigrant families began building St. Josaphat parish and school. Sadly, the building burned in 1889. Grutza had a vision to build a new church and school. Under his direction, the parish purchased land at 8<sup>th</sup> and Lincoln to build St. Josaphat Normal School, a high school for boys. At the time, this was progressive, as many students left school after 6<sup>th</sup> grade to find work. The elementary school was used as a church until the basilica was finished. In 1901, the basilica was finished, and the temporary church was converted to the school. In 1915, St. Josaphat School had 1,675 students, making it the largest in the Archdiocese at the time. One first grade class had 100 students sitting 3 to a desk. Morning classes were taught in Polish, while afternoon sessions were taught in English. The Notre Dame Sisters staffed the school until 1911. At this time, the Franciscan sisters came to teach the students. In the 1930's, the effects of the Depression were felt at St. Josaphat High School. As enrollment dropped in the high school, it was closed, and classrooms were used to relieve crowding at the elementary school. Fr. Baran, the pastor at the time, was looking to move forward with an up to date facility complete with a bowling alley in the basement. Plans for this were scrapped in favor of building a parish hall at the high school site. This is the building in which the school is housed today.

As families moved to the suburbs in the 1960's and 70's, and enrollment dropped in numbers, St. Josaphat school adapted once again and restructured to have a maximum enrollment of 225. In the 1990's the make-up of the neighborhood began to change. What once was a predominantly Polish neighborhood had now started to evolve into a more ethnically diverse neighborhood of a variety of European and Latino ancestry. The enrollment had dropped to 170 students in 1995.

In historical fashion, St. Josaphat school adapted once again in 1997 when it became a Milwaukee Parental CHOICE SCHOOL. Currently, the school has 223 students and once again serving an immigrant population from Mexico and other Latin countries. Bibliography

A glimpse Into The Past, Hope For The Future. A History of St. Josaphat School, Parish publication, June 1995



**School Mission** Strengthened by the Eucharist we, the educators of St. Josaphat Parish School, are committed to proclaiming the Gospel values and integrating these values into our instructional program. It is our hope that, with these values, the students-as members of the Church-can confidently address the need for justice and peace in the contemporary world. We seek to empower our students to develop a sense of human dignity, while providing a quality academic foundation from which to begin their journey the future.

**Philosophy** As Partners with families, St. Josaphat Parish School is committed to proclaiming and integrating Gospel values into the lives of students. The school community and parish provide the educational, religious and social ministries that are essential for each child's growth.

**Vision** Through a nurturing, supportive, Christ-centered environment, and an integrated curriculum, Saint Josaphat Parish School challenges students with high expectations. Focusing on Jesus as the Master Teacher, we recognize parents, guardians, and families as a child's partnering educator. Parents and families are supported by qualified faculty and staff to foster and develop students' god given talents, which contribute to their role in their family, Church, school, community, country, and world. At Saint Josaphat Parish School, students' needs are fulfilled spiritually, emotionally, intellectually, physically, and socially.

**Curriculum And Instruction** St. Josaphat Parish School follows curricular standards of the Archdioceses of Milwaukee in alignment with Common Core State standards and WMELS standards.

Curriculum St. Josaphat's curriculum is in accordance with the course of instruction issued by the Superintendent of the Milwaukee Archdiocese as well as with the courses of instruction designed for the elementary schools of Wisconsin. The sequential curriculum which is structured to develop proper values, attitudes, and habits includes courses in Religion, Language Arts (Reading, English, Spelling), Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Music, Physical Education, Computer, and Art, and is flexible enough to provide for individual differences and needs.

### Building Faith Through Community St. Josaphat Parish School helps students develop in these six different areas:

**Spiritually** 

We develop our Catholic faith and a deep commitment to God through liturgies, prayer, daily instruction, special celebrations, and through personal involvement with the faith community.

Morally

We strive to maintain an atmosphere in which basic Christian values are freely expressed and practiced-teaching the child to be responsible for personal behavior.

**Academically** 

We provide a balanced curriculum emphasizing the basic skills in all subject areas, empowering the student to develop responsibility through a diversified program.

Physically

We promote the physical development of the student through the physical education program, the sports program, health and safety programs, and the hot lunch program.

**Emotionally** 

We provide an atmosphere which encourages students to understand feelings and express their opinions, to experience and cope with success and failure in an effort to develop a positive self-concept.

Socially

We encourage the students to interact throughout the day through participation in class discussions, projects, clubs, and activities which involve both education and social opportunities that aid in the growth of a well-rounded individual. We challenge the students in areas of leadership and service. We build a healthy community through loving and respecting each individual.

St. Michael Prayer
Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle.
Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou,
O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen

### Video

https://youtu.be/TleHabwNYOw

https://www.wordonfire.org/resources/blog/more-than-a-rumor-of-angels/19103/ Prayer for Children: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xD0j8INhjFA



FORMATION MEETING SEPTEMBER 1, 2020 ST. MICHAEL FEAST DAY SEPTEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup>



OCTOBER 6, 2020 MY NOTES:



PRAYER, READING, REFLECTION
HOW HAVE I IMPLEMENTED
THIS TEACHING INTO MY
CLASSROOM AND PERSONAL
LIFE







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.





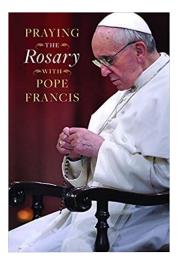


FORMATION MEETING NOVEMBER 3, 2020

DECEMBER 1, 2020 MY NOTES:

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#### The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



FORMATION MEETING JANUARY 5, 2021



FEBRUARY 2, 2021 MY NOTES:



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THIS TEACHING INTO MY
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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



FORMATION MEETING APRIL 20, 2021



MAY 4, 2021 MY NOTES:



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