



Dear Parishioners,

Article # 5 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church defines catechesis:

“Catechesis is an *education in the faith* of children, young people, and adults which includes especially the teaching of Christian doctrine, imparted ... with a view to initiating the hearers into the fullness of Christian life. CCC # 5

Because of our commitment to catechesis, at St. Joseph Church the way we do faith formation is called *Generations of Faith*. It is an innovative approach that helps the parish to become a community of lifelong learners.

Each gathering includes:

- *A Prepared Meal*
- *An Opening Experience* that introduces the topic.
- *Learning Sessions* that are appropriate for the different ages that participate.
- *Group Conversation* about what was learned.

With the strength that comes from our dependence on the Holy Spirit, we look forward to the year ahead. *The faith we profess has been handed down from one generation to the next for the last 245 years here at St. Joseph Church, the oldest Catholic community in New Jersey.* Your presence and participation at each of the sessions of Generations of Faith continues this legacy. At the same time all of us are being drawn closer to our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Along with these few words is a form to register your household for the fall. Please return it to the parish office as soon as possible. We hope you will join us !

If you have questions, please call us.

I look forward to meeting you.

*Sr. Geraldine*

# Generations of Faith

St. Joseph Church · 454 Germantown Road · West Milford NJ · 07480

Household Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

(For emergency use only.)

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

(Primary means of communication.)

Is your family registered at Saint Joseph Parish?  Yes  No

Please register household members *who will participate* in Generations of Faith.  
Children must be accompanied by at least one adult.

Adults			
Last Name	First Name		
Children		Grade [ K-12] as of	Name of
Last Name	First Name	September 2010	School Attending

**Food Allergies:** Please inform us if anyone in your household has food allergies. \_\_\_\_\_

Select the Friday Evening or Saturday Morning or Sunday Afternoon session.

Friday 6:30-9:00 PM    
  Saturday 9:30-12 Noon    
  Sunday 1:00-3:30 PM

**Child Care** [pre-school children and younger]

Name of Child	Age of Child
Name of Child	Age of Child

# Assistance with Faith Gatherings

**Coordinators** \_\_\_\_\_ would be willing to coordinate:

Name

\_\_\_ Kitchen/ Meals    \_\_\_ Decorating Prayer Space & Tables    \_\_\_ Music    \_\_\_ Catechists  
\_\_\_ Publicity    \_\_\_ Hospitality: Welcomers    \_\_\_ Child Care for Small Children  
\_\_\_ Parish Center Set-Up    \_\_\_ Parish Center Clean-Up

Coordinators ensure that the gatherings of Generations of Faith run smoothly.  
Volunteers will be contacted with specifics about serving as a coordinator.

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Please indicate the areas where you would be willing to help by putting your name next to the activity.

## **Formation Areas**

+Session Leader (Catechist): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_ Grades K-3    \_\_\_ Grades 4-6    \_\_\_ Grades 7-8  
\_\_\_ Grades 9-12    \_\_\_ Adult

+ K – 12 Requires participation in our screening process and a willingness to prepare lessons, teach and participate in a catechist meeting.

## **Support Areas**

Master of Ceremonies: \_\_\_\_\_  
Publicity/Promotion: \_\_\_\_\_  
Technology: \_\_\_\_\_  
Audio/Video: \_\_\_\_\_  
Child Care: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Special Roles**

Lector: \_\_\_\_\_  
Prayer Leader: \_\_\_\_\_  
Table Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Hospitality Areas**

Before Session Set-Up  
in Parish Center: \_\_\_\_\_  
Greeter/Welcomer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Meal Server: \_\_\_\_\_  
After Session Clean-Up  
in Parish Center: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Creative Areas**

Prepare/Decorate Prayer Space: \_\_\_\_\_  
Table Decorations: \_\_\_\_\_  
Skits/Drama: \_\_\_\_\_  
Creative Arts, Posters, etc: \_\_\_\_\_  
Musician: Vocal: \_\_\_ Instrumental: \_\_\_  
I can help in this way: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Fees are due at the time of registration. The fee includes all program materials and meals.

Please make checks payable to: **St. Joseph Church** and return the form with fee as soon as possible.

Households with one child	-	\$ 90.00
Households with two children	-	\$120.00
Households with three or more children	-	\$150.00
Households with adults only	-	\$ 30.00 per person

**For Office use Only:** Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_\_