

## Upcoming Events



10/19: Boozy Bingo 5-10 pm FLC

10/20: Youth Ministry for High School teens 5-7 pm FLC

10/31: Annual After Trick or Treat Halloween Supper 6-8 pm FLC

11/1: All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation)

Masses are at 12:15 pm and 6:00 pm

## Calendar



10/6: Regular Class

Confirmation Class #1: 2-3:30, FLC room #3

10/13: Regular Class “Snack Sunday”

First Reconciliation Class #1: 2-3:30, FLC room #3

10/20: **NO CLASS**

10/27: Regular Class

11/3: Regular Class

Confirmation Class #2: 2-3:30, FLC room #3

11/10: Regular Class “Snack Day”

First Reconciliation Class #2: 2-3:30, FLC room #3

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## Saint Michael Parish Youth Faith Formation October 2024



From Miss Fessler:

First thing: I need to send out a huge apology to Erin Davies. I left her off the list of new catechists and volunteers. Erin graciously forgave me. When Erin joined the YFF Team at the end of May, I knew she was a great addition to the new second grade team. You will read more about Erin and our other new YFF team members in the October and November newsletters.

I am excited to share that we have started a contest of “Best Class of the Month.” Each month the catechists will tell me why their group is the best and will win a special “Best Class” snack on Snack Sunday ( Donut Sunday) and have the “Best Class” trophy to display in their classroom. If every class wins the trophy, we will have a big year end celebration. I have so much faith in our children, I am already planning the celebration.

I am sure you are curious why I decided to have this contest. The answer is I believe in the goodness of our children. My hope is by acknowledging one class each month, the children will see the goodness in themselves and let that shine everywhere.

*The winning class for September is Grades 3-4!* Their catechists have been raving about the children since the first day of class: their participation, their behavior and their attentiveness in class. I am so proud of the children in Grades 3-4!

We have added “Snack Sunday” to YFF. “Snack Sunday” will be the same day as Donut Sunday. However, we will not be serving donuts in the classrooms, due to allergy concerns. We will be having allergy safe snacks. If you are concerned about what we will be serving, please reach out to me.

God bless,

*Miss Fessler*

## Meet Our Newest Catechetical Team Members

These wonderful volunteers have dedicated themselves to bringing the Good News of our faith to our parish children.

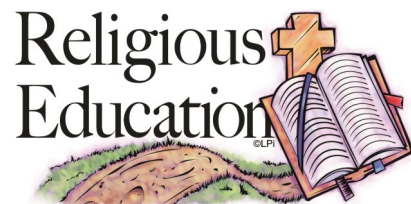
**Nicole McMullen:** “I will be teaching second grade this year. My son Aiden is in second grade and will be making his first Reconciliation and Communion this year. I am so excited to share this experience with him and the children in the second grade class. I live in North Jackson with my husband Paul, and our three kids Natalie, Hailey, and Aiden.”

**Pam Ventimiglia:** “I am a recently retired Paralegal. I said ‘yes’ to joining the YFF team as I am happy to help our young people grow in their faith as well as share my own experiences and values.”

**Lianna Walton:** “Mom of Ryan who is in 6<sup>th</sup> grade. I’m a substitute teacher for Canfield Schools. I said ‘yes’ to YFF because I enjoy the classroom setting and thought this would be something different/challenging for me to take on.”

Next month find out about:

Erin Davies, Sylvia Cupp, and Anna Tieche!



## Saints of October

The Catholic Church calendar is filled with feast days and Saints. Here are *some* of the Saints on the calendar this month:

October 1: Saint Therese of Lisieux

October 2: Feast of the Guardian Angels

October 4: Saint Francis of Assisi

October 5: Saint Faustina

October 7: Our Lady of the Rosary

October 11: Saint Pope John XXIII

October 18: Saint Luke, Evangelist

October 22: Saint Pope John Paul II

October 28: Saints Simon & Jude

### High School Youth Ministry

Teens in High School are invited to attend the first Youth Ministry gathering on Sunday October 20<sup>th</sup> in the Family Life Center from 5-7 pm. There will be pizza and snacks. We will spend a little time discussing the lives of young saints, and making plans for social activities and service projects in the coming months. Call or email Miss Fessler if you have any questions.

## Monthly Prayer

In honor of Our Lady of the Rosary, our Monthly Prayer is:  
The Hail Mary.

**Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.  
Blessed are you among women  
And blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary, mother of God,  
Pray for us sinners,  
Now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

Please pray the Hail Mary with your children throughout the month at home. We will be praying it during class time.

Kindergarten is working hard on the Sign of the Cross.



### Spotlight on: The Blessed Mother

Did you know that October 7 is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary? This feast dates back to the 16<sup>th</sup> Century and was given an official date on the liturgical calendar in the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century.

The YFF page of the parish website will have a handout on how to pray the rosary and links to learn more about the Blessed Mother.