## June 7, 2023

Dear Journey Families,

Blessings to all of you! I hope and pray you are all enjoying a beautiful summer! This fall we will be celebrating our 20th year! We are hoping to have some type of celebration for this—stay tuned.

I wanted to update you on a few things for the upcoming 23-24 year:

Enclosed are the registration forms for the 2023-24 Journey classes. Please complete them and return them to me—if you have any questions please let me know. This year we will be offering again the IRIS program (for those who use it) as an option to cover the cost of tuition. If you are interested, please check the appropriate box on the back of the registration form. Class dates and times can be found on the back of this letter. Please save!!

- This summer we will continue working on the items for the fundraiser June 19-21st and July 17-20 from 3-7 pm in the Journey room. Each family has been asked to volunteer 2 hours of time toward the fundraiser. There are jobs for everyone—keep posted for your email updates. Teens part of the mission weeks at SFC and SMIC will be sanding, staining and polyurethane our wood slices for the Advent wreath. Also, we are looking for donations of polyurethane and medium to light colored wood stains and white, silver, and gold spray paint.
- I am looking for a volunteer to help assist me on an as needed basis, as I am still working on the details, to help out with some administration work including setting up a database for our donors and supporters, Friday Fun night planning and budget, assisting with grant planning and fundraising and so forth. This position *may* turn into a paid position in the future. The Journey program has become more than a part time person can manage alone. Also, we have had parishes outside of Washington County reach out to have the Journey program in their parishes. I have reached out for help from staff as to what this would look like from a legal standpoint, my time with the training, financial charges, etc. I will keep you updated.
- This upcoming year we will be working on the virtues of magnanimity, industriousness, magnificence, prudence, circumspection, docility, and foresight. We also will continue to study the upcoming Sunday gospels along with special prayers for the season. Class dates are on the back page. We also will continue to offer the Bible study option. The 6-10 year old class has moved from Saturday mornings to Monday evenings, 5:30-6:30 pm.
- In September, we will continue our women's group called Saintly Mom's. It meets 2 Thursdays a month, 11:30am-12:30pm from September – April. Both in person and virtual for those who cannot leave work but would like to be a part of it. The book is called Saintly Moms, 25 Stories of Holiness by Kelly Ann Guest. All women, those with sons/ daughters/guardians in the program and volunteers are welcome. Please let me know if you are interested.
- I am also cutting back the Friday Fun Nights to 4 times during the year. In October, we will have a Pirates of the Caribbean event, a Sports Night again in January, some type of dance in February, and possibly a Luau in May. These have worked as a fun social event for our friends and their friends from the greater community but also as a small fundraiser for us.

If you have any questions—let me know. I look forward to our 19th year of Journey starting this fall. I can be reached at cspindler@wbparishes.org and 262-338-2366 ext. 124.

Blessings to all,

Christina Spindler Director of Journey



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## Journey 2023-24

## **Class Dates**

6-10 year old's	11-15 year old's	Great Adventure Bible Study
Mondays 5:30-6:30 pm	Wednesdays 5:30-7:15 pm	Thursdays 5:30-7:15 pm
Sept. 18	Sept. 13, 27	Ages 15+, min. 5 <sup>th</sup> gr. reading level
Oct. 2, 16, 30	Oct. 11, 25	Sept. 21
Nov. 13, 27	Nov. 8	Oct 5, 19
Dec. 11	Dec. 6	Nov. 2, 16, 30
Jan. 8, 22	Jan. 3, 17, 31	Dec. 14
Feb. 5, 19	Feb. NO Class 2/4- Ash Wed.,28	Jan. 11, 25
March 4, 18	March 13, 27	Feb. 8, 22
April 1,15, 29	April 10, 24	March 7, 21
		April 18
Adult 1	Adult 2	Adult 3
Wednesdays 6-7:45 pm	Mondays 5:30-7:15 pm	Thursdays 5:30-7:15 pm
Sept. 20	Sept. 11, 25	Sept. 14, 28
Oct. 4,18	Oct. 9, 23	Oct. 12, 26
Nov. 1, 15, 29	Nov. 6, 20	Nov. 9
Dec. 13	Dec. 4	Dec. 7
Jan. 10, 24	Jan. 15, 29	Jan. 4, 18
Feb. 7, 21	Feb. 12, 26	Feb. 1, 15, 29
March 6, 20	March 11, 25	March 14, 28
April 3, 17	April 8, 22	April 11, 25

Journey Fun Nights Fridays 6-8 pm Oct. 20 – Fall Dance Jan. 19 – Sports Night Feb. 16 – Winter Dance May 17 – Luau Journey Catechist Inservice/ Retreat:TBD	Saintly Moms/Ladies Study for Journey families/volunteers Thursdays 11:30am-12:30pm Sept. 14, 28 Oct. 12, 26 Nov. 9 Dec. 7 Jan. 4, 18 Feb. 1, 15 March 14, 28 April 11, 25	Advent Fundraiser Help out Dates * June 19-22; M-W, 3-7pm *July 17-20; M-R, 3-7pm (May need to add dates but would prefer not to)
Service Projects *Oct. Food Pantry Collection *Dec. – Stocking Stuffers for Washington County Food Pantry *Lenten – Rice Bowl *Book Service Project in conjunction with SMIC - TBD	Journey Mass Dates (tentative) Oct. 1, 2023 @ SMIC Dec.? 2023 @ HA Feb. 25, 2023 @ SFC Spring date? @ HA Adoration Time: after Mass? -TBD	Advent Fundraiser Sale Dates * <u>November 4<sup>th</sup></u> @SMIC * <u>November 11 &amp; 12<sup>th</sup></u> @SFC * <u>November 18<sup>th</sup></u> at Women of Christ Conference.