

Fall Harvest Ministry Festival

Included are Special Programs for the Religious Education Families!

**A Message from Fr. Paul for our Together in Christ Collaborative
Something for all Parishioners to participate in!**

Religious Education Families

Our Fall Harvest Ministry Festival has a special event for all of our Religious Education Families in both Parishes. The Fall Harvest Ministry Festival has been broken-up into two age groups. We are creating activities and projects for the youth to participate in the Hall, while parents get to know some of our Parish Leaders in the Church.

We have asked our Religious Education Directors to work with our families to attend this very important Collaborative event. No one likes the word mandatory, but as we embark on our second year of collaboration it is important we have your support by attending this meeting. We value your time and are working on creating a dynamic program for the youth and adults alike.

Schedule of Events



Kindergarten-Grade 6

1:45 pm: Drop off students in Parish Hall

Students will have games, a lesson, and work on our Kindness Rock Project

2:00-3:15 pm: Parents will have an opportunity to hear from our Parish Leaders, Pray together and ask questions about the upcoming year.

3:15-3:45: Parents will return to the Parish Hall and enjoy going from table to table representing the various Ministries throughout our Collaborative. We will have a special scavenger hunt for families to participate in together as you make your way around the outside of the hall.

Optional: (But we would love to have your join us!)

4:00 pm: Mass of Thanksgiving: We hope you will join us for a special Mass honoring all of our volunteers. (which you may be one of them!) at St. Ann's Church.

5:00-6:00 pm: Pasta with the Pastor. Finish your night for our younger families or begin your night with a nice Pasta dinner honoring our Volunteers and celebrating our second year together.

Grades 7-10

6:00-6:30: Enjoy going around the Parish Hall learning about our different Ministries in our Collaborative.

6:30-8:00: Students will stay in the hall to enjoy activities, including our Kindness Rock Project. Parents will head over the Church to hear from our Parish Leaders.

A Mass of Thanksgiving and Blessing for our Volunteers

The 4:00 pm Mass at St. Ann's will be a Mass of Thanksgiving for our Together in Christ Collaborative volunteers. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our volunteers from both Parishes for all that they do to bring the Heart of Christ to our Parishioners with their kind acts of service. For those already involved in ministry, this will also be an opportunity to recommit their time and talent in order to carry out their good works in the coming year. I will honor these wonderful gifts by offering a blessing and present the volunteers with a small gift.

I would like all volunteers to respond directly to me, so that I may pray by name for each of you in my prayers. It is my hope you can attend Mass, but most importantly I want to remember you in prayers of Thanksgiving.

Peace,

Fr Paul

Pasta with the Pastor



All are welcome (family, friends, neighbors) to join a very special Pasta with the Pastor Dinner after Mass in the Parish Hall in honor of our volunteers.

The Pasta Dinner is being held in St. Ann's Parish Hall

Ministry Festival for All To Enjoy!

**Enjoying getting to know the various Ministries
from 3:15-3:45 pm or 6:00-6:30 pm.**

The purpose of the Fall Harvest Ministry Festival is to generate awareness, enthusiasm, and involvement among parishioners, ultimately increasing parish life. It is an annual celebration of the work of the Church and a special event that recognizes the importance of all volunteer efforts. The Ministry Fair is a wonderful way for parishioners to meet and gather information about the various ministries, committees, organizations, and educational opportunities that are available within our Collaborative Parishes.

The first annual Fall Harvest Ministry Festival is being held at St. Ann's this year because we wanted a space large enough for the tables for the Ministries, a space to host activities for the youth of both Parishes and a space for parents to get to know our Parish Leaders.