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Listed below are topics and programs which can be presented or adapted for specific needs.

One-Evening Adult Faith Formation Sessions

THE VOCATION OF THE LAY PERSON
Understanding the lay person’s call to share in the mission of Christ and the Church in the secular world

SPIRITUAL GROWTH: WHAT DOES A MATURE CATHOLIC LOOK LIKE?
A look at what is needed for a healthy, effective life as a Catholic today

BEING CATHOLIC IN THE NONE ZONE: LIVING YOUR FAITH IN A SECULAR WORLD
An open discussion about the challenges of living in a region where Catholic faith and values aren’t always popular

CATHOLICS & CONSCIENCE: WHEN OUR CHURCH AND OUR HEART SEEM TO DISAGREE
The role of conscience and the role of the Church in moral decision making for the lay Catholic

THE CATHOLIC WORLDVIEW: HOW OUR FAITH SHAPES THE WAY WE SEE THE WORLD
Exploring how our basic beliefs can shape our attitudes and interactions

BEING A GOOD CATHOLIC FAMILY (EVEN IF YOU HAVE CHILDREN)
Simple things parents can do to hand on their faith

HELPING CHILDREN PARTICIPATE IN MASS
Simple things parents and parishes can do to help young Catholics engage more fully in the Mass

STEWARDSHIP 101: FIVE TIPS FOR GETTING STARTED
Building a foundation for stewardship as a way of life
Adult Faith Formation Series (3-5 sessions)

**SHARING YOUR FAITH WITHOUT BEING OBNOXIOUS: A SHORT COURSE IN CATHOLIC EVANGELIZATION**
Four sessions helping Catholics recognize the simple ways they can share their faith in their everyday lives.

**CATHOLICISM FOR ADULTS: WHAT WE BELIEVE & WHY IT'S IMPORTANT**
A five session overview of foundational Catholic beliefs and what they mean for everyday life: the purpose of life; the Trinity and the Incarnation; the Church; sacraments; and prayer.

**GROUNDED IN GOD: BUILDING CONFIDENCE IN OURSELVES, OUR RELATIONSHIPS & OUR VOCATIONS**
Four sessions on essential attributes of a mature lay spirituality: personal authority; vibrant prayer life; mature conscience; and effective discernment.

**SPIRITUALITY@WORK: FINDING MEANING IN WHAT YOU DO 40 HOURS A WEEK**
Five sessions helping participants connect their faith and values with their profession.

**LET YOUR LIFE SPEAK: DISCERNING GOD’S CALLING FOR OUR LIVES**
Five sessions helping adults recognize the unique way God is calling them to make a difference in the world.

**Scripture Series**

**GOSPEL OF MATTHEW: I WILL BE WITH YOU ALWAYS**
Hearing Jesus’ message to a church—and a world—as it struggled with upheaval and transition.

**GOSPEL OF MARK: WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?**
Walking with the disciples as they struggle to understand what it means to be a follower of Jesus.

**LUKE: THE GOSPEL FOR SAINTS & SINNERS**
A study of the Gospel that challenges us to be a Church as inclusive as Jesus.

**GOSPEL OF JOHN: SIGNS OF GOD AMONG US**
Learning to recognize the presence of Christ in our lives and our world.

**ACTS OF THE APOSTLES**
A look at the story of how ordinary people changed the world by being faithful to the Holy Spirit.

**THE LIFE & MESSAGE OF PAUL**
A look at the apostle and his faith, with an overview of his letters.

**THE BOOK OF REVELATION: A CATHOLIC UNDERSTANDING**
Hearing the message of hope in this book written to a world falling apart.
MORE Scripture Series

READING THE BIBLE AS A CATHOLIC
An overview of the basics needed to read and interpret Scripture from a Catholic perspective

INTRODUCTION TO SCRIPTURE
An overview of the Bible, its history and its message

OVERVIEW OF THE OLD TESTAMENT
What makes up the Old Testament, where it came from, and why it's important to Christians

OVERVIEW OF THE NEW TESTAMENT
What makes up the New Testament, where it came from, and why it's important to us today

One-Day Retreats

HEALING THROUGH FORGIVENESS
Accepting the grace to forgive others, ourselves, and God

GETTING PERSONAL: DEEPENING OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD
A day of reflection to help us accept God's infinite, unconditional love

GROWING IN LOVE: RETREAT FOR MARRIED & ENGAGED COUPLES
A day to help couples recognize God's grace in their past and open themselves to God's vision for their future

DISCOVERING MEANING & WISDOM IN THE SECOND HALF OF LIFE
Finding ways to live faithfully with new purpose, new enthusiasm, and new joy.

ADVENT: WALK IN THE LIGHT OF THE LORD
A day to allow the light of Christ to renew our hope, and fill us with light for others

LENT: NEW HEART, NEW SPIRIT
A day of reflection celebrating God's power to bring new life into our lives and world

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