



THE CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Greetings Families of the Dickinson Catholic community,

It is with great enthusiasm that we announce the start of our city wide **parent** faith formation program for all 4 parishes this year. Our pastors have put together a plan, with Bishop Kagan's blessings, that will combine efforts from all four parishes to provide an amazingly rich and concentrated faith formation experience for our **parents** and children. *A Family of Faith* by Sophia Institute is the curriculum of this new faith formation model.

"Family catechesis...precedes, accompanies and enriches all other forms of catechesis. Thus there cannot be too great an effort on the part of Christian parents to prepare for this ministry of being their own children's catechists and carry it out with tireless zeal." - (Pope St. John Paul II, *Catechesi Tradendae*) By nature of parenthood or guardianship and through the Sacraments of Matrimony and Baptism, a child's parents are given the grace to responsibly hand on the teachings of the Church and raise their children in the practice of the faith. Your pastors and parish staff will provide essential materials and tools to assist in accomplishing this amicable task. Families coming together to pray, learn, and strengthen their faith is our ultimate goal.

The first family night for *A Family of Faith* is scheduled for Wednesday September 14, 2022 at Trinity High School Auditorium. Enclosed in this packet is a registration form for your family. Please make your payment to **The Queen of Peace-The Catholic Academy** and return with your form to the address below by **September 1, 2022** to secure your place with us and all necessary materials for the year. The program fee is \$100 per household.

Announcements and reminders will be communicated via parish bulletins and on myParish App. Please download the myParish App from the Apple Store or Google Play, find and join your parish, and join The Catholic Academy in the Groups Icon. If you have any questions, please call (701) 456-9850 for The Catholic Academy. We look forward to accompanying your family as we allow the Holy Spirit to transform our parishes into a family of faith.

In Christ together,

Christina Hirschfeld
Director of The Catholic Academy

The purpose of The Catholic Academy is to centralize Catholic Faith Formation and its right living to the adult, youth, and children of all four parishes in Dickinson, ND.