



A Season of Hope

Dear Parish Family,

I'd like to take a moment and invite you, and every adult member of our parish to participate in our upcoming faith formation program, The Rescue Project, a 9-week small group series from April 16 through June 16. You may recall a few years ago, we introduced "ChristLife", a small group program at the parish that allowed individuals to gather at the parish, enjoy a meal together, meet in small groups to watch a video and enjoy some conversation about the given topics. There were many fruits from this program – including new friendships, greater involvement in the parish, and most importantly, we saw more people take an active interest in their faith.

This program is similar. The Rescue Project will serve as the content for our 9-week program, and the format will be like what I described above. The difference is that many parishioners are opening their homes so that these small groups can take place in a warm home setting. We will also be offering one of the sessions at the parish on Wednesdays if that day works better for your schedule.

What is the Rescue Project?

Simply, it's a 9-week series that delves deeper into the gospel. Specifically, there is a strong focus on the person of Jesus Christ in the context of our own lives – how we are invited to know him personally, how he came to save us and how we can respond to his call to spread his message. Fr. John Riccardo started a ministry for parishes and is known for his captivating preaching style. Each video session will provide greater understanding of the gospel and how to make it personal for our lives. Feel free to peruse the website at your convenience to learn more.

<https://rescueproject.us/>

Welcome, Kathleen Beckman!

As a kick-off to this series, I'm pleased to welcome Kathleen Beckman to our parish on Sunday, April 16, on Divine Mercy Sunday. Kathleen is a well-known author and active in evangelization and deliverance ministry. She will be presenting on one of her latest books, "A Family Guide to Spiritual Warfare." You don't have to look too far to see what families are faced with these days. Kathleen will discuss what is happening to the "domestic church" (families) and how parents can play an active role in defending, protecting and praying for their families.

I invite you to read more inside. Check out our volunteer facilitators on the back page, and the times and days being offered, and pick a session that works for you. I fully believe that this investment of time will be well worth it for you and ultimately for your family.

Please don't hesitate to call the office with any questions you have. You may register at saint-anne.org. I hope that you and many of our parishioners will respond to this invitation.

With you in my prayers,

Fr. Bob

DEFEND.PROTECT.PRAY

for Your Family!

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Kathleen Beckman
Author, "A Family Guide to
Spiritual Warfare"

Sunday, April 16th, 2023

Following 11:30 a.m. Mass

Lunch at 12:30 p.m

*3:00 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament.*

Track I, 1:00 p.m.

For Middle and High School Youth
(replaces Faith Formation)

- Presentation on the gateways for the enemy (gaming, occult, yoga, pornography, addiction)
- Real life examples

Track II, 3:00 p.m.

For Parents and Adults

"Strategies for Families to Tackle Spiritual Warfare"

- What is happening to the Domestic Church?
- The way the enemy attacks the family
- The spiritual authority of parents (and the father)
- Tools, prayers & practical ways to safeguard your families
- Real life examples & formation

*Talk will be followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction. Kathleen will be open to Q&A. Continue fellowship and conversation with snacks and beverages. There is no cost however donations are accepted to offset the cost of Kathleen's travel, accommodations and speaking expenses. **For more information contact parishoffice@saint-anne.org.**



A 9-Week Small Group Series Featuring Fr. John Riccardo

"You matter. You are worth the trouble. You are worth dying for."

What you will gain?

- Delve Deeper into the Gospel in the context of our everyday life struggles
- Understand how the Gospel is personal for your life
- Learn how to share Jesus Christ's saving power with others in your life
- Make new parish friends in the process
- Become more invested in your faith

How does it work?

- Nine sessions – including food, video, conversation
- Pick an evening that works for you (see options on page 4)
- Invite your spouse or a friend
- Register online (saint-anne.org) -- \$15 for workbook
- Pray for the fruits of this parishwide

Sessions offered on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday evenings, April 16 through June 16. See offerings and groups on following page. Choose a group/session and you will study with the same group throughout the 9 weeks.



Introducing our Rescue Project Hosts

Monday, 6 p.m.: Deacon Rich and Alice Stanula (All Audiences, Capacity: 8 individuals, Location: Carol Beach Area)

They joined the Parish in July, 2012 prior to Deacon Rich's ordination in September. Deacon Rich and Alice have 5 grown children and 10 grandchildren and will celebrate 55 years of Marriage this August. "We are happy to be hosting The Rescue Project in our home which is located in Carol Beach neighborhood."



Monday, 7 p.m.: Deacon Tom and Joey Binder (Audience: Parents of HS & Young Adult, Capacity: 12 individuals, Location: Near St. Anne)

Deacon Tom and Joey Binder have been parishioners of St. Anne since 2005. Tom was ordained a deacon in September 2022. They have 3 children, Allie, Jack and Max. It was through previous small groups here at St. Anne that their knowledge and experiences exploded and were able to grow closer in their relationship with God and his Church. "We are so excited to help host the Rescue Project in order to help our parish-wide conversation and to help encounter the Lord. What is your place in God's plan? Come find out!"



Tuesday, 6 p.m.: Joe and Jeanine Madrid (Audience: Empty Nesters, Capacity: 12 individuals, Location: Near Ill border)

Joe and Jeanine have been married 43 years and parishioners for 8 years. As a military family, they moved many times throughout Joe's 30 years of service. Shortly after moving here in 2016, they found Saint Anne's Parish. They've enjoyed going to many church events and Jeanine loves attending Thursday morning Grace group. "Being a host for the Rescue Project is just the next step for us to take in increasing our Catholic faith as a couple."



Tuesday, 7 p.m.: Nicholas and Mary Mowry (Audience: Newlyweds/Parents of babies/toddlers, Capacity: 4-5 couples, Location: Southeast Kenosha)

Nicholas and Mary have been parishioners since 2017 and were married in December 2018. Nicholas, who you will often see altar serving, lecturing, or playing the viola at Mass, works as a financial advisor. Mary has served as St. Anne's Director of Faith Formation for nearly 5 years. They welcomed their first born, Eleanor Joy, in August 2022. "The Rescue Project opens up the opportunity for us to walk with other young couples and parents in our parish as we all seek to know the goodness of God in a deeper way -- we can't wait to get started!"



Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.: Mark and Margie Mandli (All Audiences, Capacity: No Limit, Location: At the Parish; We will gather in the multi-purpose room and small groups will be arranged by table.)

Mark and Margie have been married 27 years and parishioners for 17 years. They have three children, Matthew 22, Ellie 20, Gianna 15. They have experienced the ups and downs that all families go through and look forward to meeting more parish families. "Our parish has been a source of growing in our faith and a haven of hope, support and love. We hope you'll join us."



Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.: Kelley Fitzpatrick & Zach Fitzpatrick (All Audiences, Capacity: No Limit, Location: At the Parish; We will gather in the multi-purpose room and small groups will be arranged by table.)

Recent parishioners. Mother/son duo teach faith formation. Kelley is a veteran of the U.S. Navy and now works for the Department of Veterans Affairs. Zach is an accountant for a local financial firm. They love growing in their faith, meeting new people and look forward to seeing what God has in store for our parish with this program.



Thursday, 6:30 p.m.: Bob and Darlene Lasch (Audience: Parents of HS & College, Capacity: 8 - 12 individuals, Location: west of the I)

Bob and Darlene have been members at St. Anne's for the last two and a half years. They are excited to be part of such an active, welcoming parish community. Bob and Darlene have been married for 23 years and have two children, Ben, 20 and Grace, 16. "We are excited to be able to host a group in our home and look forward to growing in our faith together!"



Thursday, 7:00 p.m.: Deacon Todd and Carla Benzschawel (Audience: Empty Nesters, Capacity: 3 couples, Location: North Kenosha)

Deacon Todd and Carla joined the parish in 2020. Dcn. Todd is active supporting faith formation and sacramental preparation. Carla is involved in the women's Bible study and Gifting Hands prayer shawl ministry. Their two children are married, with one in Milwaukee and the other in Montreal, Canada. "With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we are looking forward to breaking open the Word, sharing and building community within our parish."

