

Partnering with Parents to Nurture Family Faith

Family Faith Formation in 2020-21 Part 1 – Programming Approaches

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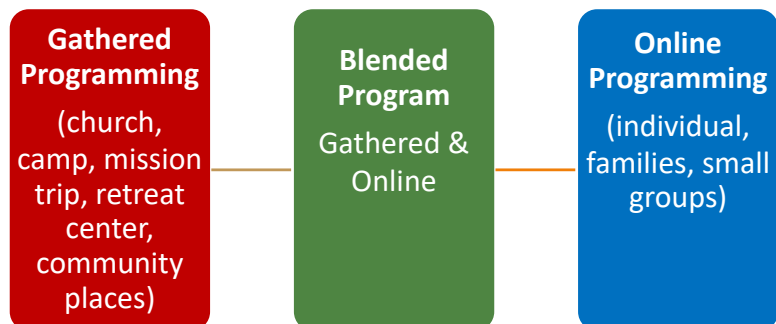
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What will faith formation & ministry look like in 2020-21?

- ◆ We are not going back to normal – life before March 1, 2020.
- ◆ We are no longer talking about months but about years of COVID-19.
- ◆ We will not be able to gather people in church facilities as we have in the past

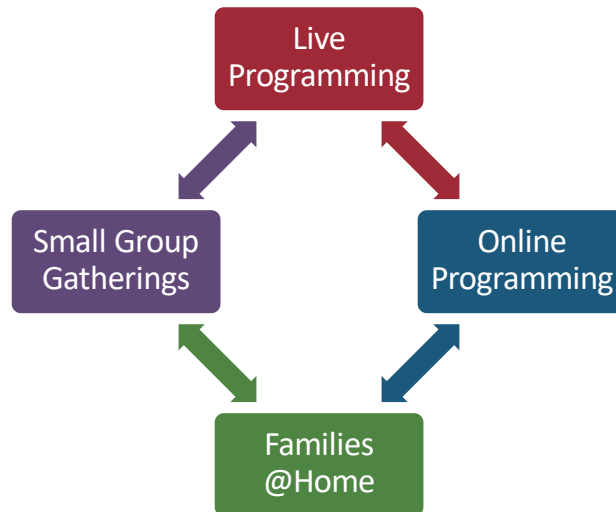
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Digital Tools for Family Programming

- A Digital Platform for Faith Formation: Websites – Weebly, Squarespace, Wix
- Video Conferencing & Streaming: Zoom, Facebook Live, YouTube Live
- Group Interaction: Facebook Groups
- Communication Tools: Email, Texting
- Social Media Tools: Facebook, Instagram
- Online Learning Platforms: Edmodo, Google Classroom
- Digital Learning Apps



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Streaming Mass:
Reaching parishioners online while parishes are closed



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Four-Week Program Plan

Week 1 - Live Stream Presentation/Demonstration on the Theme (synchronous)

Week 2 & 3 - Home Family Experience (asynchronous)

- Individual family or groupings of families
- Online playlist of age-appropriate faith formation activities on the theme
- Resources for parent enrichment on the theme

Week 4. Live Online Session to Share and Present Projects (synchronous)

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Extended Program Plan

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Part 1 All Ages Introduction to the Theme (live stream)
All Ages Experience (live stream)

Part 2 Demonstration of Home Activities (live stream)
At Home Family Activity (resources online)
(age appropriate, together or individualized)
At Home Adult Presentation (video or live stream)

Part 3 Quick Sharing from Participants using Facebook
Page or Photos on Instagram
Closing Reflections & Prayer/Ritual (live stream)

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Program Example: Called to Pray

Gathering and Opening Prayer

Welcome to Prayer Program

Prayer Experiences: Demonstrate Live & Practice @Home

- Activity 1: Creating a Space for Prayer
- Activity 2: Praying with Scripture
- Activity 3: Praying with the Psalms
- Activity 4: Intercessory Prayer
- Activity 5: The Jesus Prayer

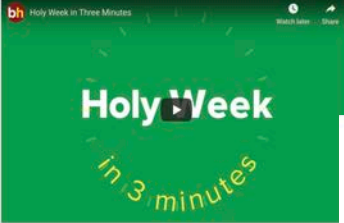
Making Prayer an Essential Part of Family Life

Closing Prayer

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Holy Week

An Introduction to Holy Week in "Three Minutes"



A Catholic Guide to Holy Week

To learn more about the meaning of the Holy Week symbols read the "Guide" at Busted Halo.

- "A Catholic Guide to Holy Week Symbols"

For a "Guide" to Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil, and Easter Sunday go to Busted Halo:

- "Your Essential Guide to the Triduum"

Family Faith Formation Playlist

Just for Parents: A Virtual Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross is a devotion following the events leading to Jesus' crucifixion. Prayers accompanying it allow time to reflect on the mystery of his death. Originally the Stations of the Cross was an actual physical journey in and around Jerusalem. Later the series was symbolized in outdoor shrines, and today many parishes display artistic representations in their sanctuaries. The Stations of the Cross may be done at any time, but is commonly a part of Lenten spiritual practice, specifically on Good Friday.

Busted Halo has created a series of virtual stations designed for personal devotion. These stations relate to Jesus' teachings about the Kingdom of God and the reasons his vision of this Kingdom led to his death. Find a quiet place to watch these stations, and as you do the devotions be open to how God is speaking to you through the Stations of the Cross.

- [Go to Busted Halo Virtual Stations of the Cross.](#)

Stations of the Cross Activity

Print the first page with the Stations of the Cross in color and post it for all to see. Use the prayers throughout the week.

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Holy Week Story Strip Activity


Color the pictures and cut them out. Paste them in order to show the events of Holy Week and Easter.

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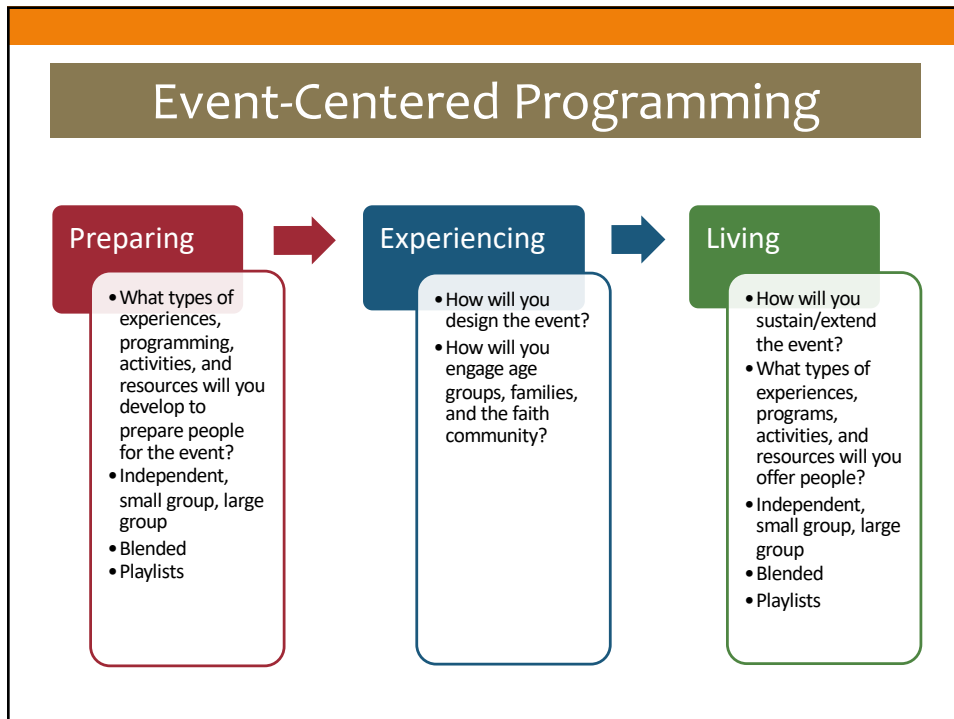
Holy Thursday - Last Supper Craft Activity

Make a Last Supper craft for Holy Thursday based on the famous Leonardo da Vinci Last Supper (picture of the completed project to the right).

- [For instructions go online.](#)

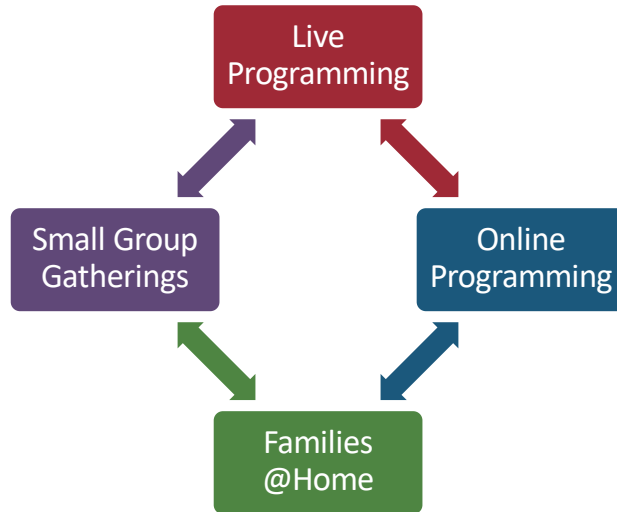


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