

Online Resources to Support our Faith Lives For All Ages: Teachers, Parents, and Students Diocese of Sioux City – Holy Trinity – St. Edmond

<https://holytrinitywci.org> (all ages)

Our parish website, you can watch daily Mass here or on our Parish Facebook page, along with other streamed spiritual services.

<https://formed.org> (all ages)

This is a great website (and phone/TV app) with resources for all ages.

If you do not have an account, please go to website, select 'Sign up,'

Next, select, "I belong to a parish or organization"

Type "Holy Trinity" and select the Fort Dodge Holy Trinity option

Click, "Next" and input your name and email and click "Sign up"

This will take you into the Formed.org Platform.

Enjoy books, audio, movies and studies.

<https://www.ewtn.com> (all ages)

This Catholic website (also a phone/TV app) has daily news reports, many children's faith filled television shows, an encyclopedia of Catholic information and more.

<https://www.sportsleader.org> (all ages, also parents, coaches)

SportsLeader is a Catholic virtue-based formation program for Coaches, Athletes and Directors of Sports Ministry of all levels: Grade School, High School and College. This website has testimonials, video, and blogs.

<https://www.playlikeachampion.org> (all ages, also parents, coaches) Character education through sports.

<https://www.holyheroes.com/Lenten-Adventure-s/37.htm> (grade school and lower middle school)

Fun, faithful and free activities for ages 5-12 for every day in Lent.

<https://www.catholicbrain.com/campaign/793104/lent2019> (grade school)

fun, faithful, and educational games, video, songs and learning (costs 19.99 per family).

<https://www.aquinascollege.edu/centers/center-for-evangelization-and-catechesis/virtues-in-practice/> (PK-8th Grades and Parents)

This website holds pdf's of the Virtues in Practice children's program for PK-8 grades. There is a simple parent explanation pdf with a calendar of saints and virtues that the children can follow and learn about throughout the year, along with family activities in the parent and student books. All is free.

<https://www.wordonfire.org> (upper-middle/high school and upwards)

This website, by Bishop Robert Barron, has many written, audio, and video resources including homilies and reflections on culture. Check out Bishop Barron or Word on Fire on Facebook and YouTube.

<https://www.crediblecatholic.com> (upper-middle/high school and upwards)

Credible Catholic (CC) is NOT just another provider of Catholic content. Credible Catholic is a force designed to stem the atrophy from within our Church and theism in general. Credible Catholic marks the return of apologetics in our education channels (as preferred by our Bishops). We seek to completely discredit the secular myths that are creating the “**NONES**” (see above under **WHY**). To this end, Credible Catholic offers **FREE** on-line teaching products based on content from **Father Robert J. Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D.** While the initial products are targeted at High School through adult studies, a series for middle school is also in development.

<https://magiscenter.com> (upper-middle/high school and upwards)

This is another website with content from Fr. Spitzer that deals with faith, science, philosophy, and obstacles to faith. Check out the Resources Tab for content that is written, audio, and video.

<https://blessedissh.net/the-blog/catholic-apps/>

This blog posting gives a list of Catholic Apps you might like on your phone.

Here is a list of suggestions from our Sioux City Diocese Office of Evangelization and Catechesis Office (a few are repeated)

Faith Formation for Children/Families/Youth

catholicbrain.com

Launched in 2017, CatholicBrain provides an innovative solution for Pre K – 8th grade faith formation and religious education. Our tools enable schools and parishes to deliver an outstanding faith learning experience; engaging students and involving parents in faith formation, equipping catechists and religion teachers and

empowering DREs and school administrators. Free Access through Divine Mercy Sunday, April 19, 2020

Catholic Kid's Bulletin

<http://www.catholickidsbulletin.com/>

Tons of free printables, activity ideas and best of all a free printable "bulletin" for each Sunday Mass. These are created by an Omaha mom.

Online Weekly Youth Ministry through Project YM:

<https://projectym.com/live/>

It's simple: you share the link with your teens and they're able to log on Sunday nights for a live broadcast! We'll even give you additional resources to have follow up conversations with your teens after the broadcast.

Catholic Faith in the Home:

Catholic All Year

<https://catholicallyear.com/>

Celebrating the liturgical year in the home, and getting to know the saints and seasons of the Church calendar

Sara J Creations

<https://www.sarajcreations.com/>

Catholic former teacher now homeschool mom. This is a two for one! School lesson plans AND Catholic activities and lessons.

Elizabeth Clare Blog

<https://www.elizabethclareblog.com/>

Iowa Catholic mom and blogger

Shower of Roses

<https://www.showerofrosesblog.com/>

Catholic mom and blogger

Catholic Icing

<https://www.catholicicing.com/>

Catholic craft ideas for kids, recipes, and hands-on ideas. The mission of Catholic Icing is to bring Christian fun to families on the internet for free.

Some of the YouTube channels we recommend

Ascension Presents: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVdGX3N-WIJ5nUvklBTNhAw>

Our office YouTube Channel (not a lot of content yet, but will be adding much more in the coming weeks and months): <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCsReq8aaAcOv-jM5JN3TMoA>

Word on Fire: <https://www.youtube.com/user/wordonfirevideo>

Life Teen: <https://www.youtube.com/user/LifeTeenInc>

Sophia Sketch

Pad: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CDyMHg8HkSE&list=PLBdBxtht3DgeyGzlo4lX3_YLicfaloVu (Great video lessons on the seven sacraments)

Focus Catholic: <https://www.youtube.com/user/FOCUSNational>

Fr Pat

Behm: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9hi3ngYGdwU7DIwWMzvLIQ> Celebrating daily Mass live

Other helpful resources:

Keeping Sunday holy in a time without Mass: Six tips for the faithful: <https://detroitcatholic.com/voices/fr-stephen-pullis/keeping-sunday-holy-in-a-time-without-mass-six-tips-for-the-faithful?fbclid=IwAR3JAWvZL-cxejwSH21cKwKHfyNNEqhPMu3FET-J7iWnUutLqnqELA5KX1w>

Liturgy of the Word with Spiritual Communion. This is a great resource for your families <https://www.dropbox.com/s/ztmtpbmnhg8590/Liturgy%20of%20the%20Word%20with%20Spiritual%20Communion.pdf?dl=0>

Free Holy Week Lessons from Sophia

Institute: <https://mailchi.mp/sophiainstituteforteachers/free-at-home-lessons-for-holy-week-and-easter?e=a3679abbf7>

Non-Faith related educational sites that could be helpful to parents while kids are out of school: https://kidsactivitiesblog.com/135609/list-of-education-companies-offering-free-subscriptions/?fbclid=IwAR0ie9LrMbcu50hZzEavg2_LiczKZ1rwLdoazsKv8Qh0w0kzp2H0dnoInIw

Renewing our love and appreciation for Mass during trying

times: https://www.catholicworldreport.com/2020/03/15/renewing-our-love-and-appreciation-for-mass-during-trying-times/?fbclid=IwAR2iTky6xOmOT1vZGNYvBDDE5Xfl_o_yj31jmVrTqqmq_V8Eebr0MynlNSM

May this time without the Mass increase our hunger and love for God https://detroitcatholic.com/voices/fr-charles-fox/may-this-time-without-the-mass-increase-our-hunger-and-love-for-god?fbclid=IwAR0_hf29c-hfHL0nZrCWJtvebndAr4csBFCVg4P5WbgkvhQEJYx_nFnxum0

Can't receive the Eucharist? Here's how to make a spiritual communion https://aleteia.org/2018/09/20/cant-receive-the-eucharist-heres-how-to-make-a-spiritual-communion/?fbclid=IwAR2EkB54UyLUFm8CNXGJJ0x9vdUrXSJfvMsXqvP2MtFkRaS5gp_4SREZ6GM

Magnificat online goes free, to help the homebound pray from home https://aleteia.org/2020/03/13/magnificat-online-goes-free-to-help-the-homebound-pray-from-home/?fbclid=IwAR3zPy_1cfaZJMKp2eqGCr858THkLFqH59CmGqBe6LFjZBfshbsg_LXKV8Y#.Xm6TMV7wMKg.facebook