

## 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Mini-Course Descriptions for 2021-2022

### **Fall/Winter 2021**

#### **Sacraments of Initiation**

This course will look at Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation by discussing the meaning of various signs and symbols utilized in each of these Sacraments. The goal of this course is to connect the three Sacraments of Initiation to better prepare the participants to enter the Confirmation Preparation Program in their junior year.

**Wednesdays 7:00 – 8:30pm**  
**October 13, October 20, October 27,**  
**November 3**

#### **#BeReal**

Social media is undeniably an influence in all of our lives and communities. It's an incredibly powerful tool that can be used for good or for bad. This mini-course will help participants explore what it looks like to follow Jesus both online and off in this small group discussion based format.

**Sundays 6:30-8:00pm**  
**October 17, October 24, November 7,**  
**November 14 ( \*Note – this skips 10/31)**

#### **Waiting, Watching, Wondering**

In our instant gratification/“Google it” world, many teens don't have a lot of experience with waiting for things. This Advent themed mini-course will guide teens into and through the Season of Advent with a mix of hands-on activities and practical suggestions how a young person can wait, watch, and wonder to grow deeper in their faith as the birth of Jesus approaches.

**Mondays 7:00-8:30pm**  
**November 29, December 6, December 13,**  
**December 20**

### **Winter/Spring 2022**

#### **Becoming Peacemakers**

This mini course will encourage participants to think about the presence or absence of peace within themselves, in their relationships, in society and in the world. Using the life and message of Jesus as an example, participants will be challenged to explore constructive ways to resolve conflict and bring about peace in their world and the world.

**Wednesdays 7:00 – 8:30pm**  
**January 26, February 2, February 9,**

#### **Answering God's Call – What is a Vocation**

Teens spend lots of time thinking about what they want to “do” and “be”. Success is often defined through a specific college, work, or career path, but understanding your vocation – your calling from God - is much deeper and is designed to lead a person toward holiness. This mini-course will introduce youth to the Church teachings on Vocations.

**Sundays 6:30 – 8:00pm**  
**March 6, March 13, March 20, March 27**

#### **Wonder & Awe – God's Creation Surrounds**

This mini-course hopes to give participants a deeper appreciation for the Wonder & Awe of God's Creation. Participants will be immersed in the nature that surrounds the parish grounds by going outside for a portion of each session. Youth will learn that our faith calls us to act and advocate to protect all that God has created and be challenged to consider how they can make a positive environmental impact.

*\*Note – participants should be prepared to go **OUTSIDE** for a portion of each session*

**Mondays 7:00-8:30pm**  
**March 21, March 28, April 4, April 11**

**Safe Environment Training (required annually) – Additional Information about this Training will be posted at a later date**