

Holy Family Church

Family Catechism Schedule

08th DEC 2024 Introductory Meeting (St. Rita's Centre)

- Welcoming (All together in the Chapel)
 - brief presentation
 - Parish: Family of families
 - Marriage, Baptism and family catechism
 - Books (Bible, YouCat for Kids and I belong)
- Group of parents and group of children with their catechists to the appointed room.
- **Parents group:**
 - Presentation. Mutual Knowledge.
 - Family Catechism: Family and Christian initiation of Children
 - Popes: Document *The Family and the Christian initiation of the children*
 - Bible: 2 Tm 1, 5; 3, 14-17
 - Family Catechism Schedule
 - Books (*Bible, Compendium, YouCat for Kids and I belong*)
 - Dynamics of the Family Catechism
 - Monthly meeting in the Centre
 - What do the children do?
 - What do the parents do?
 - Weekly meeting at home
 - YouCat for Kids
 - Family lectio divina
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 - The domestic liturgy
 - Matthew 7:7-12
 - Transfiguration of the Lord
 - A ladder of four rungs
 - Text: Luke 2, 41-52

- **Children group:**

- Presentation. Mutual Knowledge.
- Books presentation: I belong; YouCat for Kids; Bible.
- I belong: Contents, The Journey begins, Symbols used.
- Family Lectio Divina
 - *We speak to God when we pray. God speaks to us when we read the Bible.*
(Saint Augustine)
 - A ladder of four rungs
 - Text: Luke 2, 41-52

Luke 2:41-52

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Three days later, they found him in the Temple, sitting among the doctors, listening to them, and asking them questions; and all those who heard him were astounded at his intelligence and his replies. They were overcome when they saw him, and his mother said to him, 'My child, why have, you done this to us? See how worried your father and I have been, looking for you.'

'Why were you looking for me?' he replied. 'Did you not know that I must be busy with my Father's affairs?' But they did not understand what he meant.

He then went down with them and came to Nazareth and lived under their authority. His mother stored up all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom, in stature, and in favour with God and men.

THE FOUR RUNGS OF THE LADDER

A. Reading

- To proclaim the reading of the Bible.
- Personal reading in silence of the text.

B. Meditation

1. *Situation:*

- Where and when occurs the story?

2. *Action:*

- Who are the characters?
- What do they do?
- What do they say?
- Why do they do or say that?

3. *Message:*

- What is the most important dialogue, teaching or event?
- What is the most valuable phrase? (Stop on every word of this sentence and see if it is clear to you.)
- What is the most important message for you of that phase and of the whole reading?

4. *Application:*

- What prevents you from putting that message into practice?
- Is there anything in your life to change, to start to do, to do better?
- Who are you within the story?
- What is the Lord saying to you today in your current situation?

C. Prayer

- Father, I beg your pardon for...
- Father, I ask you...
- Father, I thank you for...

D. Contemplation

- Father, I praise you for...
- Father, I adore you for...
- Father, I love you for...

2 Tm 1, 5; 3, 14-17

I am reminded of the sincere faith which you have; it came first to live in your grandmother Lois, and your mother Eunice, and I have no doubt that it is the same faith in you as well.

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures—from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Matthew 7:7-8

Ask and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him.

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