

Family Formation FOUNDATIONS

Classroom and Home Lessons

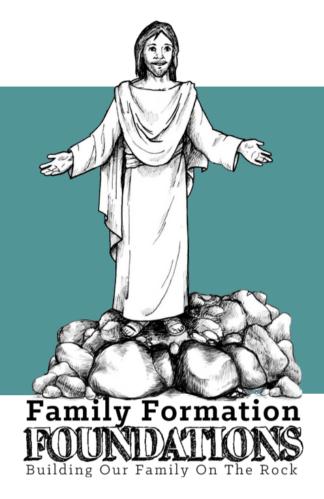


For over 30 years, Family Formation has been a pioneer in the family catechesis model, offering a three-year series of lessons that cooperate with the liturgical year and brings parishes and families together to learn their Faith in joy and with excitement.

Recently, our team has been working in conjunction with the USCCB's Subcommittee on the Catechism to create a new set of family-focused and Christ-centered lessons designed as an entry point to family catechesis. These new lessons, called Family Formation FOUNDATIONS, focus on introducing families to a living encounter with Christ, and respond to Pope Francis' call for the kerygma to become the center of all evangelizing activity. This critical first proclamation is a central element of each month's content, while using simple, relatable methods to teach the basics of the Faith, such as:

- What is the mission of our family?
- Who is Jesus?
- Why the Church, and how does that impact my family?

These eight months of Classroom and Home Lessons follow Family Formation's time-tested and effective framework of meeting once a month at church where parents and children learn about the same topic, each at their own level, followed by three Home Lessons to reinforce and expand on the topics together at home.





For new and current parishes!

Whether your parish is new to family catechesis, or you are a veteran to the model and would like to take a step back to refocus on the fundamental kerygma message, we look forward to working with you to strengthen your families' knowledge of and relationship with Christ.



USCCB Approved

Like our flagship three-year series, Family Formation FOUNDATIONS is included on the USCCB Conformity List of approved catechetical materials.



Ready for 2023-2024

Available in a Ready-to-Use format in English for the 2023-24 year. (Spanish will be available the following year.)



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An Overview of Family Formation

Started over 30 years ago and developed by the Church of Saint Paul in Ham Lake, Minnesota, Family Formation is one of the original pioneers in the family catechesis model. The Family Formation model contains two core components:

- 1. Classroom Lessons for the monthly gathering at church
- 2. Home Lessons monthly packets given to families to complete at home

For the first time this upcoming year, there are two options to choose from that fit into this model, one of which is the NEW Family Formation FOUNDATIONS.

Option 1
Family Formation
3-Year Flagship Series

Option 2
Family Formation
FOUNDATIONS

Option 1 of Family Formation

This series of home and classroom lessons is a comprehensive presentation of all the doctrinal content required for approval by the USCCB's Subcommittee on the Catechism, coupled with Family Formation's tried-and-true method of reaching the entire family with a transforming experience of the Catholic Faith. Thousands of families have experienced the blessings of welcoming Christ into their homes as they pray and learn together each week with these materials.

Lessons cooperate with the liturgical year and Cycle A/B is the set of lessons for the upcoming year. It begins with learning more about the Holy Mass in October. <u>Click here</u> to see the full list of topics for the year.

To learn more, visit: <u>familyformation.net/how-it-works/for-parishes/</u>

Option 2 of Family Formation

NEW this year! Family Formation FOUNDATIONS.

This one-year option responds to Pope Francis' call for the kerygma to become the center of all evangelizing activity. Families are introduced to a living encounter with Christ through these home and classroom lessons which proclaim the Good News of the Gospel in simple terms and relatable, family-centered methods.



We have rediscovered the fundamental role of the first announcement or kerygma, which needs to be the center of all evangelizing activity and all efforts at Church renewal.

-Pope Francis

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A Closer Look at FOUNDATIONS

FOUNDATIONS Topics

See the complete list of FOUNDATIONS topics for the year here.

Sample Lessons

View a sample Classroom Lesson and Home Lesson here.

Introductory Video

Also provided each month with the FOUNDATIONS lessons is a brief introductory video to share with parents at the beginning of the adult formation session. This video is a springboard for the month's topic. As a sample, here is the Introductory Video for Month 4: The Bible: Our Family's Story











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