Faith Formation

Faith Formation at St. Joseph's is for everyone, whether you are just beginning the faith journey or a veteran. Join us and discover more about your faith or how to better connect it to your daily life.

ADULT CHOIR - The adult choir enhances the music at \$130 am Mass. New members are always welcome.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTER'S OF AMERICA - The CDA is a vibrant organization whose members, from all walks of life and all age groups, work diligently to strengthen family life, promote educational opportunities, aid our sister parishes, and help those less fortunate. United in sisterhood, we raise funds to help unwed mothers and award scholarships, we offer local bus trip and international trips to fund charitable projects, we sponsor the National Education Writing Contest to help young people develop their ability to publicly defend their faith, to name a few of our projects. Whatever talent you have, it will find expression and opportunity to grow in a welcoming, loving community of Catholic women, Women of Faith Making a Difference."

Our local chapter is run through St. Mary's Church in Port Jervis, NY

<u>PRAYER CIRCLE</u> - We maintain a prayer circle which begins when an individual is in need. Our members call one another and pray together for the intentions of the prayer. This is an opportunity for us to help each other through the power of prayer.

<u>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION</u> - Religious instruction program (CCD) for the children of our parish offers classes from Kindergarten through Eighth Grade. The program begins in September and runs through April. In addition to the weekly classes, classes are also provided for sacramental preparation for Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation. Registration is in the spring for the upcoming fall classes.

RCIA - (The Rite of Christina Initiation of Adults) is a process the church uses to prepare adults to enter the Catholic faith and receive the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist. If you are willing to serve on the RCIA team, please contact the rectory.

 $\underline{RETREAT}$ - Is held annually in the spring by the 5 parishes of Pike County