

What is the meaning of your life? What is your life's purpose?

The answer of the meaning of life is found in one life, Jesus Christ.

These and other powerful questions are the focus of the **Discovering Christ Series** which begins September 12, 2017. All are welcome! We want anyone who is curious about these questions, or learning more about the faith to join us.

Discovering Christ is the first of a three-part ChristLife Series. We have had nearly 500 people participate in the Discovering Christ Sessions since we first offered it in 2015. Some discovered Jesus Christ in a personal way for the first time, others felt a deepening of their relationship with Christ. Our RCIA team found this perfect for the Period of Inquiry, the first movement of the RCIA program, and they felt it just made sense to incorporate the two.

The Sessions will be held on Tuesday evenings beginning September 12th with the first two weeks being a chance to tour the church and meet the team. Then, the next seven Tuesdays will be dedicated to the Discovering Christ Series which includes a meal, prayer & song, a video teaching, and small group discussion. One of the highlights is a Retreat Day on Saturday, October 28th.

Other topics explored during the sessions include: Why does Jesus matter? and Why do we need a Savior? These questions are dealt with in an intimate, comfortable setting with no pressure. Each person is assigned to a table with six other participants, a table facilitator and a co-facilitator.

"It's a great experience," said Fr. Gerry Hurley. "The friendships that form by sharing the meal and sharing the discussions are pivotal to the overall experience. You can see that other people have struggles, just like yourself. So even that shy person comes to see they are not alone.

"It's not so much about going to this church, or that one down the road," said Fr. Hurley. "It's about coming to know Christ in a real and personal way, and the ChristLife Series is a great way to discover and grow that relationship with the Lord. It's appealing to all ages of adults, regardless of how much 'church' they have had or not had — even our more 'mature' Christian friends have grown in relationship with Father, Son and Holy Spirit."

August 13, 2017

19th Sunday in Ordinary Jime

Mass Intentions

Week of August 13, 2017:

7:30 am Mon: Communion Service 6:00 pm Monday & 7:30 am Tuesday.:

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:00 pm: Wed.: Communion Service 7:30 am Thurs.: Communion Service 7:30 am Fri.: Communion Service

5:30 pm Sat.: Gula Guillory (RIP); LCPL Philip Clark (RIP)

8:00 am Sun: Jane Corbitt (RIP)

10:30 am Sun.: Mary Helen Doran (RIP)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 4:30-5:00pm or by appt.

Prayer Intentions

Spanky Nix

Michael Roberts, son of Jim and Nath Roberts





Adoration This Week:

Monday-Friday 8:00 am- 12:00 pm No Wednesday evening adoration during the summer months

New Announcements

- * Craft Fair Meeting— Aug. 19th @ 10am in room 112. Sign up sheets are in the back of church to sign up for making crafts or assisting with the craft fair.
- * Baptism Prep Class— Aug. 20th @ 2pm in the Family Life Center Lounge for any parent needing to have a child baptized in the next 4 months. This is a family friendly class and registration is not required.
- * St. Dominic's Ministry— Aug. 22nd @ 10am— This ministry provides food and spiritual encouragement to families of patients in the ICU. Please sign up in the back of church to donate food items and drinks.
- * Sacrament of Confirmation Information Meeting Aug. 23rd @ 6:30 pm in the Family Life Center. Postcards were sent out to all students that were enrolled in the 10th grade last year. All 11th graders are highly encouraged to attend with at least one parent to begin the preparation process of Confirmation. If you have not yet registered your child for religion, please do so now. Registration is on the website or call the church office for assistance.
- * The Early Learning Center 4th Annual Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, Sept. 8th. Flyers are in the back of church to register your team or you may call the Early Learning Center @ 601-992-2876 for more information.

CALLING ALL KEYS, CALLING ALL KEYS!!!

As part of our New Facilities Guidelines, our Family Life Center will have new locks on Aug. 23rd. It is very important that you turn in your old key to the church office, let us know when and where your group meets so that we can add it to our facilities calendar, and get a new key issued for your group. Please call the church office if you have any questions.



Altar Flowers

In memory of the McAleese & Kyles families ~John and Margaret McAleese

In honor of the Feast of the Assumption ~ Blake and Ann Wilson

* Weekly offering for August 6th: \$23,683



Reminders

* Religious Education Classes begin the weekend after Labor Day! Sunday morning classes ages 3 years-6th grade and Adult Education classes begin on September 10th. Wednesday night classes begin on September 13th. The 2017-2018 class schedule can be found on our website. Registration is now open on our website and we ask that you please take care of the registration process. You can now simply update your information if you have registered before. Once you have completed your registration online, you will still need to print, complete and sign the "Parental Consent, Photo Release, Medical Release Form" which can be accessed after submitting the Registration Form. These forms are also available in the vestibule for anyone that needs a copy. We ask that you complete registration and turn in all forms and payment no later than August 31st. Registration for RCIA and Discovering Christ is now open on the website as well!