

# FAMILY OF *Faith*



## How Family of Faith works

- ◆ “Family of Faith” replaces the traditional Sunday School program, empowering and equipping parents as the primary catechists of their own children
- ◆ An emphasis is placed on disciplines for discipleship (e.g., daily prayer, weekly Mass, and monthly Confession) as a family
- ◆ There is one Teaching Sunday and one Community Sunday per month
- ◆ On the Teaching Sunday, parents are taught about the theme for the month, while children learn a grade-specific lesson in their own classrooms
- ◆ At home each month, parents use the *Parent’s Guide* and *Activity Book* to lead their children in two turn-key lessons with activities adapted to each child’s age and ability
- ◆ Families collect their monthly activities in a “Storybook Project,” a family scrapbook
- ◆ During the Community Sunday gathering, parents and children connect to one another and reinforce concepts that are being learned through engaging activities and events
- ◆ Every family meets with the Director of Religious Education at least once during the catechetical year to share their progress

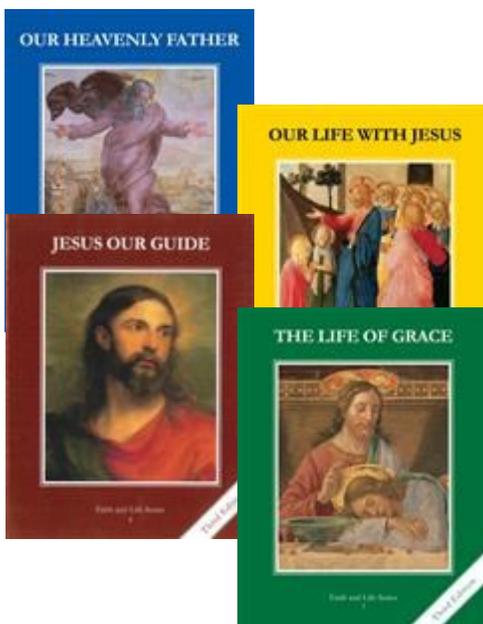
## Advantages of Family of Faith

- ◆ Parents are strengthened in faith along with their own children
- ◆ The Faith is presented as an organic part of family life, not just part of Sunday morning
- ◆ More flexibility is given to families with busy schedules

# Disciplines for *Discipleship*

- 🕒 Every **YEAR**, make time for *Easter*
- 🕒 Every **MONTH**, make time for *Confession*
- 🕒 Every **WEEK**, make time for *Sunday Mass*
- 🕒 Every **DAY**, make time for *Prayer*
- 🕒 Every **MOMENT**, make time for *Love*

## Opportunities for Enrichment



Families who are looking for more in-depth grade-specific instruction are invited to enroll in the [MyCatholicFaithDelivered.com](https://www.MycatholicFaithDelivered.com) *Faith & Life* Series in addition to the monthly *Family of Faith* program. Designed for Grades 1 through 8, these online classes present the content of the *Faith and Life* textbook series, along with interactive games, videos, quizzes, and activities.

Students who complete their grade-level online course will receive the “St. Thomas Aquinas Award.”