

Holy Spirit - Grade 8

Dear parent or guardian,

During this course, *The Holy Spirit and the Church*, your daughter or son has been learning about the Holy Spirit's presence in the world and in the Church. The sessions have focused on how the Holy Spirit energizes and brings life to the Church, affects and transforms the lives of people of faith, and is present and active in the world today. As a culmination of our time together, the young people will be working on a project that integrates what they have learned with their lived experience.

In the course project, "The Spirit Is Moving in Our Parish!" the participants will discover ways the Holy Spirit is active in the parish. They will work together (no more than 3 students per group) or individually to gather evidence of the Holy Spirit's activity in the parish by researching the various parish ministries, interviewing people who serve in those ministries, participating in parish liturgies and events, and observing how the various ministries contribute to parish life. Ultimately the young people will be asked to create a presentation illustrating their discoveries. Please a presentation board for your presentation.

In order to complete this project, your son or daughter will need your support and guidance. Your son or daughter will need to work both at home and during the time allotted in the course sessions. It will be important for you to encourage him or her to check the parish bulletin for events and ministries and help him or her contact the people involved in the various ministries in the parish.

As part of the closing session for this course, the young people will be sharing their "The Spirit Is Moving in Our Parish!" presentation with the entire class. Parents and other family members will be invited to attend, so please mark **April 26, 2010** on your calendar. You won't want to miss this exciting evening!

This project is DUE NO LATER THAN APRIL 19, 2010. Please include name(s) on project.

Sincerely,