

Exciting news! After a hiatus in 2020, we are thrilled to offer Vacation Bible School again this summer. You can bring the VBS fun home with you for an online "Radical Ride on the Wings of Prayer". This Catholic program will teach us about the power of prayer, with saints and angels as our guides.

This at-home/online Vacation Bible School will run July 26-30 and is designed for ages 5-11. Each day's activities will take approximately 2-2.5 hours, depending on age and ability. Here's what you can expect:

- A live online session at 9:30 am each day to introduce the theme, saint, and activities. Expect this half hour to include prayer, music, discussion, and skits by our parish youth.
- Music videos to dance along with and to help us memorize key Bible verses
- A science experiment or craft activity of the day
- A themed snack (mostly pre-packed for you!)
- A game or activity to get you moving outside
- A featured Saint of the Day, with a short video, optional colouring page, and trading card to match

Everything except the daily meeting will be asynchronous, so you can plan the videos and activities around your family's needs and schedule. If you cannot attend the morning session live, watch it whenever you are ready to begin VBS for the day!

To help us fill this program with amazing hands-on materials, we are asking for donations from families who are able. Our suggested donation this year is \$15 per child. However, do not allow money to be a barrier to joining Vacation Bible School! If you are not able to offer a donation at this time, we are happy to cover the cost for your family.

Here's how to join our VBS flight crew:

- Register online before July 21 with our online form:
 https://forms.gle/84SayLoHXfhLLDXM6
 Please register each child participating so we can provide enough materials.
- 2. Pick up your pre-packed Radical Ride VBS kit from the church the weekend of July 24-25. (Donations can be dropped off at this time by cash or cheque.)
- 3. Join us online from 9:30-10 am on July 26th through 30th for a live session with skits, discussion, and music. Then, explore the remaining daily activities at your own pace.

Youth who have finished grade 6 or above are invited to help film skits, run online media, sort and pack materials, and prepare VBS kits. Please contact the parish for more information.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mary Forcier, our Youth Minister and VBS director at stjosephkitcheneryouth@gmail.com or 519-745-9302