

# NEWSLETTER



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### Welcome, CFAC Families!

Ahhhh summer. Long days and longer evenings when schedules relax, kids play all day, and school is out... for some of us!

Summer has been packed full of fun CFAC events and wonderful feast days!

We hope this issue of the newsletter inspires you to jump in, whether that's by signing up for an event, celebrating a feast day at home, or simply reconnecting with your homeschool "why."

We are here to help you live your faith in every season of your homeschool journey, and we are praying for you!

-Janae Spencer

Newsletter Editor



## **SUMMER HAPPENINGS**

### **PROGRAMS**

June 6	Mass and Park & Play (Pollard Park)
June 10	Splash Pad (Whitehouse)
June 21	Mom's Pool Party (Veritatis Splendor)
June 25	Family Movie Night (Lindale)
June 27	Quest-Biggest Heart Outreach (Lindale)
July 4	Mass and Park & Play (Pollard Park)
July 8	Roller Skating (Jacksonville)
July 16	Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Celebration (Flint)
July 21	Water Games and Fun (Lindale)

### SACRED HEART WALKATHON

Family Movie Night (Flint)

June 1<sup>st</sup> - June 30th

July 30

All funds raised support Liturgical Programming

### **MEMBER RENEWALS**

July 1<sup>st</sup> - July 14th

### **NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION**

July 1<sup>st</sup> - July 21st

# Upcoming CFAC Events

Check out the exciting events planned for July!

**Skating Rink-** Lace up your skates and roll into summer fun with us at the rink! Bring cash for admission, snacks, and arcade games, and get ready for a full morning!

**Community Business Meeting-**Come be part of the conversation as we discuss exciting updates, future plans, and ways to strengthen our CFAC community. We want to hear from you!

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Celebration- Celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel with a family dinner, desserts, crafts, and a special youth-led retelling of her appearance to St. Simon Stock.

**Water Games + Fun-** Splash into summer with water games, fishing, frisbee, and playground time at Darden Harvest Park. This will be fun for all ages and a great way to beat the heat!

**Family Movie Night-** Grab your blankets, pillows, and floor chairs and head to St. Mary Magdalene for a fun-filled screening of Night at the Museum. Kids will love shopping at our cash-only concession stand stocked with classic movie treats.



Members can view more details, RSVP for events, and see the full calendar in the member portal.

## Snapshots of Summer

We've been busy kicking off summer with a whole lot of fun! From cheering on our seniors and splashing around at the waterpark to game night laughs and Discovery Science Museum adventures, May and June were packed with good memories.

















# Splashing into Summer

We kicked off summer in the best way—with water and lots of it!

Families enjoyed slides, the lazy river, and wave pool at the waterpark.

And our tiny tots cooled off and splashed around with friends during a splash pad day designed just for them.





And the fun isn't over yet!

# Up next: Water Games at the Park!

Join us for fishing, frisbee,
splash pad fun, and
playground time for all ages,
plus shady relaxation for
parents. Let's make the most
of these summer days
together!

### Quest

Our Quest group (ages 10-14) had a blast this summer during their spirited BIGGEST HEART Scavenger Hunt! The event brought out teamwork, laughter, and friendly competition as tweens worked together to complete fun and creative challenges.











This event is just one way our Matthew 28 Youth Fellowship is helping form Catholic Family Adventure Club members, ages 10–18, with the foundation and skills necessary for missionary discipleship. These moments of fun, formation, and fellowship equip our youth not only to share their lives with Christ, but also to understand what active discipleship looks like as they continue to "adventure with Christ" alongside their peers.

## Summer by the Numbers







Summer Events Planned

11

Popcorn Bags Popped at Movie Night

20

Sacred Heart Walk-athon Steps Taken

Too many to count!

## Top Summer Moments from our Members



"My favorite summer event was movie night. I had fun hanging out with friends and eating candy"

-Tatiana



"I enjoyed Scavenger Hunt Friday. I had fun helping my team and talking to friends after"

-Alex

Ready to embark on your next adventure?

Registration for the 2024–2025 year is open!

Know a Catholic homeschooling friend who would love CFAC too?

Invite them to join! There's always room for more on the journey.



Homeschool Blessing Mass
Save the date:
September 5th

Celebrant:

Bishop Gregory Kelly

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church

All are welcome!

Sponsored by the Diocese of Tyler and the

Catholic Family
ADVENTURE CLUB

# Liturgical Living Corner: July

The month of July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus. Just as summer can serve as a time of rest and renewal, our souls can also rest in the sacraments of Christ. We use this month to reflect on the significance of the Blood that He shed for our redemption during His passion and death.



#### LIVE IT OUT

- Visit Jesus for a Holy Hour
- Recite the <u>Litany to the Precious Blood</u>
- Pray <u>Offering of the Precious Blood</u> for reparation.
- Start this month-long craft at your family altar.

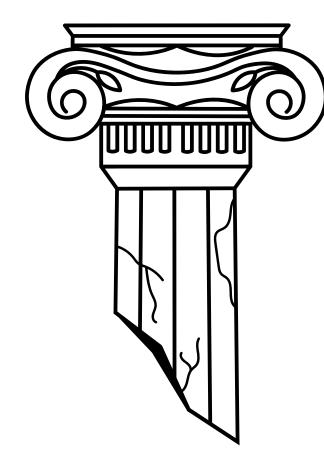
#### OFFERING OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD FOR SOULS

O My God, I beg of Thee in union with the Immaculate Heart of Mary, through the merits of the Precious Blood offered Thee in every Mass throughout the world, to grant that this day one mortal sin may be averted, one soul in doubt may be converted to the truth, one soul about to die in sin may receive the grace of repentance a happy death, and the deliverance of that soul in Purgatory which is nearest Heaven. I wish by this offering to console the Heart of Jesus in agony for the souls lost through the teaching of error against the true Church of Christ, Jesus, Our Lord. Amen.

# Liturgical Living Corner: July

July is also a month to honor some of the church's "Pillar saints." These holy men and women of God are household names and play important roles in the Bible, Jesus' life on Earth, and as role models for us and our children.

St. Mary Magdalene
St Thomas
St. Veronica
St. Kateri Tekakwitha
St Bridget of Sweden
Ss. Joachim and Anne
St. Martha
St Maria Goretti
St. Camillus de Lellis
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel



Check out St. Kateri's Snow Maple Taffy Celebrate St. Mary Magdalene with spiced cupcakes



Try this St. Veronica veil craft



### Around the Diocese









Have you visited one of the 2025 Jubilee Pilgrimage locations in the Diocese of Tyler? The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Tyler is one of these locations!







Learn about Chesterton Academy of Tyler, Opening Fall 2026

> Wednesday, July 16th 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

RSVP and learn more here.