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Dear Parish Leaders,

In order to support you and your families we have been actively reaching out to Catholic publishers and companies to secure great digital resources. Many of our publishers are offering free temporary login credentials so that you can utilize their resources in a variety of ways. As you seek to creatively reach families and parishioners during this time please feel free to utilize the resources below and discern which resources will be of use for your parish leadership. Remember that often, less is more. And to honor the good faith of our publishers who have so generously opened access to their materials so that you have the access need to support your families We ask that you please DO NOT disseminate this document to your parish at large.

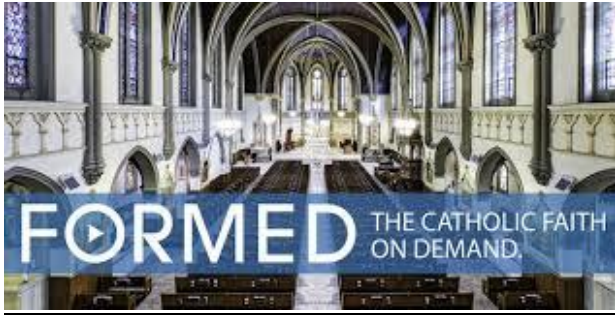
We have listed **FORMED.org** first as it would be a great resource that meet a variety of parish needs. *Every parishioner has 40 days of free access.* A link to this resource document will be sent initially to Pastors, Adult Formation Leaders, Youth Formation Leaders, and Catholic Schools. Feel free to pass the link to other parish leaders as well. We have tried to categorize these resources appropriately and we will continually update this page as we are made aware of any others.

Please know of our continued support and prayers for you as you support our parishes and families in this new way to walk the faith journey. We will add additional resources for you each week. Please feel free to share your suggestions and any resources that you find helpful. Thank you very much!



For your parishes with a FORMED subscription, a summary of ways to use FORMED at home is located on our Leader's Site. **All parishes with access to FORMED will find useful ideas for Faith at Home here:** <https://leaders.formed.org/faith-at-home>

In addition to FORMED access, we've provided resources to help you message your FORMED access out to your parish. Below is email copy, social media copy, and visual assets (attached) in both English and Spanish, to simplify sharing FORMED with your parishes and communities.



Examples to send to your Parish leaders and Catechists

You can support the spiritual and prayer lives of your parishioners during this difficult time. As our diocese is experiencing limitations due to the coronavirus outbreak and social distancing precautions, we've partnered with our friends at the Augustine Institute to support you in the work of evangelization and preparation for upcoming Sacraments this. **The Augustine Institute** has provided our diocese with access to a 40-day FORMED subscription that can be utilized for remote sacramental preparation, faith formation in the home, and the support of your various ministries. This is an opportunity help your parishioners continue to live out their faith. Simple visit formed.org/signup and enter **Faith at Home Joliet**

The FORMED Leader's resource site has additional support for how to implement in your parish. You can visit their Faith at Home page here: <https://leaders.formed.org/faith-at-home> for additional ideas on how to use and promote FORMED in your parish.

Social media post example for dioceses to use

Looking for ways to enrich your spiritual and prayer life during these difficult times? We've partnered with the Augustine Institute to provide you with 40 days of free FORMED access! Visit formed.org/signup, type in **Faith at Home** and select our (arch)diocese! ***feel free to use the attached social media asset in tandem with this post***

ESPANOL:

Porque queremos motivar a todos los feligreses a seguir profundizando en nuestra Fe Católica desde casa, nos alegra anunciarles que nuestra diócesis está colaborando con nuestros amigos del Augustine Instituto para ofrecer suscripción gratuita por 40 días a FORMED – la plataforma en línea que ofrece películas, documentales, caricaturas, audios y libros, y que se puede descargar a todos los dispositivos tales como Roku, Apple TV, computadora; o bien ingresar desde la aplicación para dispositivos Android o iOS. FORMED es el mejor recurso para ayudarle a usted y a toda su familia a entender, vivir y compartir la fe católica. Para crear una cuenta, visite www.formed.org/signup y escriba **Faith at Home Joliet** y tendrá acceso inmediato a contenido inspirador y enriquecedor en este tiempo de dificultad. Comparta esta información con todos sus familiares y amigos.

Social media post-ESPANOL:

¿Buscas maneras de enriquecer tu vida espiritual y de oración durante los difíciles tiempos del COVID-19? ¡Nos alegra decirte que, a través del Augustine Institute, estamos ofreciéndote 40 días de acceso gratuito a FORMED! ¡Solo visita www.formed.org/signup, escribe FAITHATHOME y selecciona tu (Arqui)diócesis!

Puedes usar las imágenes adjuntas para tu promoción en redes sociales



Family Resources

The vision for this resource: Help families make the most of no sports, no school, no activities, and make quality time for family and quality time for God

Keeping Holy the Sabbath

- [Sunday Connection](#)
- [Magnificat](#)
- [Living with Christ](#)
- Bible App for Kids - <https://my.bible.com/kids>
- ["The Chosen" TV Series](#) (Awesome resource!!)
- ["The Chosen" Trailer](#)

FORMED – Family Dinner Conversation

- [A Month of Dinnertime Questions](#)

Free Family Fun

- Telephone Pictionary
- Catholicmom.com

General resources for families:

- <http://www.catholicfamilyfaith.org/>
- <https://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/family>
- Lectionary – based: <https://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/sunday-connection>
<https://www.growingupcatholic.com/parents.html>
- 5 Ways to a Stronger Family: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tXCCg8zocTU>
- Matthew Kelly - <https://www.mycatholicfaithdelivered.com/>

Publisher Resources

Our Sunday Visitor

FROM OSV: You all already know of OSV's commitment to family catechesis and meeting people where they are, but specific to our response relating to COVID-19, here are the emails that were sent out to our customers:

FREE daily newsletter: "Keeping the Faith Amid COVID-19." You can sign up here: <https://reply.osv.com/covid-19>

1. [Alive in Christ](#) (grades 1-8) parish flipbooks and lessons at home
2. [Alive in Christ](#) (grades 1-8) school flipbooks and home lessons
3. [Vivos en Cristo](#) (grades 1-6) flipbooks and lessons at home
4. [Encounter with Christ / Encuentro con Cristo](#) (sacrament prep) flipbooks and parent guides

These flipbooks and at-home lessons have always been free for our customers, but given these times, instead of capitalizing opportunistically on parishes in need, **OSV has decided to offer these same digital resources to any parish or school in need of at-home support for the next six weeks.** These credentials are temporary and will be changed out in 6 weeks. Hopefully by then, life will get back to normal. All passwords are in red.

AT-HOME LESSON PLANS IN ENGLISH: https://aliveinchrist.osv.com/family/in_the_home/grade_1/187

ALIVE IN CHRIST **PARISH** STUDENT DIGITAL BOOKS (grades 1-8):

- G1: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/aic-parish-se-grade-1.html> !!aicstudent!!2020g1
- G2: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/aic-parish-se-grade-2.html> !!aicstudent!!2020g2
- G3: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/aic-parish-se-grade3.html> !!aicstudent!!2020g3
- G4: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/aic-parish-se-grade4.html> !!aicstudent!!2020g4
- G5: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/aic-parish-se-grade-5.html> !!aicstudent!!2020g5
- G6: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/aic-parish-se-grade6.html> !!aicstudent!!2020g6
- G7: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/aic-school-se-grade-7.html> !!aicschool!!2020g7
- G8: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/aic-school-se-grade-8.html> !!aicschool!!2020g8

ALIVE IN CHRIST **SCHOOL** STUDENT DIGITAL BOOKS (grades 1-8)

- G1: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/aic-school-se-grade-1.html> !!aicschool!!2020g1
- G2: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/aic-school-se-grade-2.html> !!aicschool!!2020g2
- G3: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/aic-school-se-grade3.html> !!aicschool!!2020g3
- G4: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/aic-school-se-grade-4.html> !!aicschool!!2020g4
- G5: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/aic-school-se-grade-5.html> !!aicschool!!2020g5
- G6: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/aic-school-se-grade6.html> !!aicschool!!2020g6
- G7: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/aic-school-se-grade-7.html> !!aicschool!!2020g7
- G8: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/aic-school-se-grade-8.html> !!aicschool!!2020g8

AT-HOME LESSON PLANS IN SPANISH: https://vivosencristo.osv.com/family/in_the_home/grade_1/394

VIVOS EN CRISTO DIGITAL BOOKS IN SPANISH (grades 1-6)

- G1: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/vec-se-nivel-a.html> !!vecstudent!!2020na
- G2: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/vec-se-nivel-b.html> !!vecstudent!!2020nb
- G3: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/vec-se-nivel-c.html> !!vecstudent!!2020nc
- G4: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/vec-se-nivel-d.html> !!vecstudent!!2020nd
- G5: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/vec-se-nivel-e.html> !!vecstudent!!2020ne
- G6: <https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/vec-se-nivel-f.html> !!vecstudent!!2020nf

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ENCOUNTER WITH CHRIST (SAC PREP)FOR CHILDREN AGES 7-10	PASSWORD
Child Book – Eucharist https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/ewc-eucharist-child-book.html	!!sacrament!!
Child Book – Reconciliation https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/ewc-reconciliation-child-book.html	!!sacrament!!
Child Book – Confirmation https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/ewc-confirmation-full-child-book.html	!!ewcchild!!
Parent Guide – Eucharist https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/eweucharist-parent-guide.html	!!sacrament!!
Parent Guide – Reconciliation https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/ewc-reconciliation-parent-guide.html	!!sacrament!!
Parent Guide https://sacraments.osv.com/confirmation/parent_guide/595	username - ewcsales / password - ewcsales99

ENCUENTRO CON CRISTO (BILINGUAL SAC PREP)FOR CHILDREN AGES 7-10	Contraseña
Child Book – Eucharist https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/ecc-child-book-eucharist.html	!!eccchild!!
Child Book – Reconciliation https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/ecc-child-book-reconciliation.html	!!eccchild!!
Parent Guide – Eucharist https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/ecc-parent-guide-eucharist.html	!!eccparent!!
Parent Guide – Reconciliation https://www.flipsnack.com/OSVOffertory/ecc-parent-guide-reconciliation.html	!!eccparent!!

EARLY CHILDHOOD RESOURCES	
At home lesson for 3 yr olds: http://www.allelu.com/activities-resources/home-sessions-34.html	
At home lessons for 4 yr olds: http://www.allelu.com/activities-resources/home-sessions-45.html	
At home lessons for Kindergarten: http://www.allelu.com/activities-resources/home-sessions-K.html	

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES	
GAMES	
VIDEO LIBRARY	
INTERACTIVE REVIEW / E-ASSESSMENT	
LECTIONARY LINK AND SUNDAY READINGS	
INTERACTIVE REVIEW / E-ASSESSMENT	
TEACHINGCATHOLICKIDS.COM – Helping kids cope with coronavirus update	

Publisher Resources – cont...

Pflaum

We are offering a FREE digital version of our Unit 4 student lessons and teaching guides (English and Spanish) to all our parishes and schools who may need a way to offer lessons to families a home. Any parish or school who is not a current *Pflaum Gospel Weeklies* customer needs only to contact us to obtain access to the website.

This is the link to the press release from Pflaum's parent company, Bayard, Inc. It includes free resources from Pflaum, Twenty-Third Publications, Creative Communications for the Parish, Catechist Magazine, Living With Christ, Living Faith, and Catholic Digest.
<https://us8.campaign-archive.com/?e=&u=91e158c51bed6cb61bb053f36&id=2641da6c56>

Magnificat

During this challenging time, many of the faithful may be unable to attend Mass.

MAGNIFICAT is honored to provide complimentary access to our online version to help people pray from home.

<https://us.magnificat.net/free>

Chosen – Ascension Press

CHOSEN - Confirmation Program - (all DVDS available here)

Youth Ministry Access | Center for Ministry Development

Will make a 30-day trial membership available upon request to your ministry leaders. Interested ministry leaders email Angel Barrera angel@cmdnet.org with their request. Realizing that due to the Corona virus the need for non-gathered ministry is growing. We are in the process of preparing some non-gathered ministry ideas and strategies that we can share as a resource given the current COVID19 situation. Those will be made available on our website later this week.

www.CMDNET.org | www.YouthMinistryAccess.org

Loyola Press | Confirmation

Confirmed in the Spirit – has no online resources available

Additional Resources

- National Foundation of Catholic Youth Ministry - NFCYM Resource Page - <https://nfcym.org/covid19/>
- USCCB - [Adult Resources for Prayer and Engagement](#)
- M3Catholic - [Deacon Keith Strohm Daily Reflection](#)
- Be Not Afraid Virtual Conference - <https://www.staceysumereau.com/be-not-afraid-conference>

COVID-19 Resources:

- <https://www.loyolapress.com/faith-formation/child-safety-and-catholic-family-living/growing-with-god/program-overview/coronavirus-response-lesson>
- <https://teachingcatholickids.com/helping-kids-cope-with-the-coronavirus-outbreak/>

