

# FAITH FORMATION PHILOSOPHY

## **It is our mission**

- .....to teach the beliefs and traditions of the Roman Catholic Church.
- .....to grow in appreciation and participation in the Church's sacramental life.
- .....to share the good News of Jesus Christ as related in Scripture.
- .....to participate in the mission of the Church as expressed in Worship, Service, and Education.
- .....to relate the teachings and mission of the church to daily life.
- .....to offer a setting in which we can recognize and reflect upon God's presence and action in our lives.
- .....to offer a setting in which we can grow in openness to God's gift of faith.
- .....to offer a setting in which we can respond to God's invitation.
- .....to encourage children to share their experience of faith.

## **We implement this philosophy by providing:**

- A process of **FORMATION** through which children are incorporated into the shared traditions and values of the Church;
- A process of **EDUCATION** through which children develop the ability to think critically about the sources and foundations of our Catholic beliefs, as a means to response in faith;
- A process of **INSTRUCTION** through which children acquire knowledge and skills essential to a life of faith.