

Bible Study Topics and Special Focus Sessions 2017-2018

[**Remember:** Bible Study classes are Thursday morning at 9:30 a.m. and Thursday evening at 6:45 p.m. in the Notre Dame classroom. Please bring your Bible and a smile. Purchase of accompanying textbook is optional but extremely helpful. Special Focus sessions are on Saturdays. See schedule for time, topic and location.]

Special Focus Sessions

Do I need a spiritual director? Learn about the purpose and benefits of having a spiritual director with Deacon Dennis.

September 2nd (Saturday) at 1 p.m. in the Notre Dame Classroom.

Getting Ready for Advent Half-Day Retreat. Saturday, December 2 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the parish hall. Breakfast will be served. Fr. Ryan and Deacon Dennis present reflections and suggestions on making this Christmas season a deeper and more productive spiritual experience.

Bible Study

[**Remember: Do NOT let your busy schedule prevent you from attending when you can. Each session presents a fresh topic within the Bible Study series. Join us as your schedule permits.**]

September 7- October 12

On the Road with Jesus: Matthew, Chapters 10-20.

Jesus teaches his disciples and us how to follow him.

{Thursdays 9:30 a.m. **or** 6:45 p.m. Notre Dame Classroom}

October 26- December 7 [Skip November 23, Thanksgiving Day]

Genesis: Joseph, the Dreamer. Chapters 37-50

The story of Joseph is critical to an understanding of Genesis. Learn how this story of betrayal and forgiveness is applied to our own lives of faith.

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January 4th, 2018 – February 8, 2018

How to be Happy: Matthew, Chapters 5-7

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus urged his listeners to live in a way that fosters justice and harmony.

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February 15th, 2018 – March 22, 2018

Galatians: Free in Christ

Conversion in Christ offers a new life of truly radical freedom. This study highlights the profound message of hope and transformation in St. Paul's letters to the Galatians.

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April 5th, 2018 – May 17th, 2018

Second Corinthians: Power in Meekness

Paul addresses the problems of disunity, moral failure and rancor in the early Church. God's power is best felt in our own weaknesses.

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