

St. James  Girls Club

What is K4J? Kids for Jesus (K4J) is an exciting Catholic educational program that fosters character formation of children through monthly mission packs and team meetings.

Who is invited? The program at St. James is specifically geared for girls from grades K-4th.

When and where are meetings? We will meet immediately following school in the St. James Parish Center on the 4th Monday of each month until 4:30 p.m. (Or the 3rd or 5th Monday when there is no school – a schedule will be handed out to all participants.)

What is a K4J Mission Pack? The K4J Mission Pack includes all the materials and supplies kids need to learn a catechetical lesson and perform a corresponding virtue-building mission each day. Materials in each mission pack include: an age-appropriate activity book (based on the mission), a holy hero card (different saint each month), a tabletop card (to track progress), a parent newsletter (additional ideas for parents), and a small toy/activity (to enhance the mission).

What is the Mission of the Month? The Mission of the Month is the program used in the K4J Mission Pack to help kids learn and live their Catholic faith. Each month, the mission targets a specific virtue (eg: honesty, modesty, humility, perseverance, generosity, etc.) and helps kids self-motivate to practice it in a fun and exciting way.

What is a K4J Team? Registered members of K4J come together monthly in groups of 5-12 to form K4J Teams. These teams participate in fun, age-appropriate activities all focused on the mission of the month (games, crafts, songs, prayer, snacks, etc.). The daily virtue practice then continues through the mission pack materials at home.

What is a K4J Guide? The K4J Guide is an adult registered as a volunteer in the K4J Program. Each month, he/she receives a guidebook filled with several exciting group activities and ideas to choose from. The guide plans the team meeting that introduces the children to the mission of the month through fun, educational and age-appropriate activities that they complete with their peers. The mission packs are then sent home so that the kids can continue to practice the virtue all month long.

What sources are used to create the K4J educational materials? The K4J materials are based on Scripture and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Professional lay Catholic educators, artists, and a child psychologist create materials designed to assist children and their families as they learn to live the Catholic faith.

How can I find out more about the K4J Program? You can visit the website at: www.k4j.org or contact Jenny Morrison at 963-9954 or jenny1273@gmail.com.