



Take Home Challenge

Give Jesus Your Heart for Christmas

Choose one or more of the options below to complete with your family before the next Discipleship Night. If you're comfortable doing so, take a photo and post it to our facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/MBSOshkosh/>. Feel free to post it as #TakeHomeChallenge.

Option #1-Pray: Go to Reconciliation

As a family, go to Reconciliation. Give all of your sins to God and start fresh this Christmas. A city-wide Reconciliation is available this Thursday, December 14th at 2pm at St. Raphael parish. The following times are available every week:

- Saturdays from 7:05am-7:30am at the St. Peter Site
- Saturdays from 2:45pm-3:30pm at the St. Peter Site
- Tuesdays from 5:50pm-6:20pm at the St. Peter Site
- By appointment—Call the parish office at (920) 231-9782 to set up a time

Option #2-Serve: Love Others

Come Christmas caroling at Marion Manor on Wednesday, December 20th. Meet at the St. Mary's site church at 6:15pm and walk over with the group. Or adopt a family this Christmas—take a tag from the Christmas tree in the parish office and purchase gifts for a family in need.

Option #3-Learn: How Christmas Traditions Began

Learn about how the Christmas tree and the nativity scene began. Then tell the story to your family. Be sure to use great Catholic websites, like the following:

Christmas Tree (St. Boniface): <https://www.catholic.com/magazine/online-edition/st-boniface-and-the-christmas-tree>

Nativity Scene (St. Francis): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZdimA2jOvO0>

Discuss the Christmas traditions your family has. Is there a tradition you'd like to start?

(Please note: links to these resources can be found on our parish website www.mbsoshkosh.com, under Ministries, Discipleship Nights.)

Option #4-Share: Tell Family Stories

Take some time to share your favorite family stories. How did you meet your spouse? What was your wedding day like? What happened when each child was born? What great memories have you made together? Then discuss where God was in each of these stories. When did you start believing in God? When did you feel closest to God? Tell your family these stories too.

A Note on Families: Families come in all shapes and sizes. Some of us are single. Some of us are married. Some of us have children and some of us don't. But we all live in families meant to strengthen and support us, whether we have a full house or it's just us and Jesus. In any case, this challenge is designed to strengthen your family and your relationship with Jesus and the Church.