



The Parish Covenant Corner

A weekly look at how our faith community is living out the Parish Covenant and growing in our relationship with God.

*"I will make a covenant of peace with them...
I will be their God and they will be my people."
(Ezekiel 37:26-27)*

How the Schleicher Family is living out the Parish Covenant:

I believe my husband and I have strived to become better parents at taking the formation of our children's Catholic faith a little more seriously. We are fortunate with having a phenomenal school to partner with in three of our children's faith formation and also a great Christian Formation program, which has guided our son tremendously. However, we cannot take these resources for granted. We must nurture these children of ours at home with a prayer life, setting examples of Christian behavior and most importantly attend Mass every Sunday no matter what sporting event, club opportunity, and/or social engagement we may have on any particular weekend. Our busy schedules sometimes require us to go at separate times so that everyone gets there. Occasionally, we need to find a nearby parish (we have four in our cluster!) that has a more

suitable time. We believe if we are to call ourselves Catholic parents we need to take the time to receive God's gift of Eucharist every week and give thanks for such a gift! We travel as a family quite a bit and never miss the opportunity to attend Mass in a different city. Whether we are exploring caves in Kentucky, taking in Disney World in Florida, far away from home in another country like Mexico, or simply camping in the north woods of Wisconsin, we go to church. Why? We need to receive the Eucharist! Our youngest son will be receiving First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 27th. He is so excited to finally receive this gift after all the years of attending with us that I'm happy to say he will be very comfortable in saying a loud, "Amen!"

-Barb Schleicher

Each week we will highlight a family/individual/ or group of people that is finding their unique way to live out the Parish Covenant. It is our hope that by doing so we may all continue to grow in our faith and relationship with God. If you have a personal story you would like to share please email Stephanie Dailey at daileys@sbcglobal.net.