



## ARE YOU:

- ✓ Searching for a Church to call your own?
- ✓ Generally curious about the Catholic Church?
- ✓ Unbaptized, or baptized in another faith, but seek communion with the Catholic Church?
- ✓ Attending Mass with your Catholic spouse/family members but are not Catholic yourself?
- ✓ A baptized Catholic who regularly attends Mass & other services but need Sacramental prep for Eucharist or Confirmation?



**CHECK OUT RCIA on Thursdays at 7.00 pm.**

## Adult Faith Opportunities!

**Living in the Father's Love:** Are you stretched and would like a way to refuel and be refreshed while making authentic connections with others? Would you like to have a better understanding of your faith and learn more about God? If yes, then consider joining us for *Living in the Father's Love*, Tuesdays this fall as we journey together, growing in relationship with God and each other.



**Location:** SPP Office Annex

**Who:** Women 18+

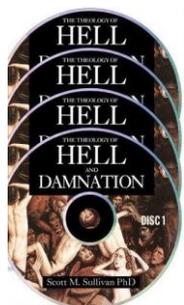
**Dates:** 10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/29, 11/5, 11/12, 11/19

**Time:** 6:00pm – 8:00pm

**Cost:** \$20

Register in the Narthex after Masses on September 14/15

**The Theology of Hell and Damnation** - contains 8 easy to follow lessons that comes with 2 DVDs that contain all



lessons. Learn good reasons as to why hell exists, why it is justifiably eternal, and why we should think that many are in danger of going there for all eternity. Taught in an energetic and engaging fashion, you will get all eight video lessons totaling approximately two hours of material. Become Knowledgeable And Articulate In The Most Important Things. Would you like to lead a small group

discussion using this material? See Libby for more information.

**Parish Wide Save the Date:** Knights of Columbus Council 7847 in conjunction with "The Roses" women's group invite you to join us for "Taco Tuesday". An evening of good food, cold beverages, good conversation and just plain fun! This is our way to get to know you, a parishioner, a little better. All men and women are invited. More information to follow in the coming weeks  
When: Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup> 2019 – 6:30PM  
Where: Parish Annex Building 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
RSVP - text - John Soldo: 270-881-7141

"Once a man was asked, 'what did you gain by regularly praying to God?' The man replied, 'nothing... but let me tell you what I lost: Anger, ego, greed, depression, insecurity, and fear of death.' Sometimes, the answer to our prayers is not gaining but losing; which ultimately is the gain."



**More grandparents surrounded by their grandchildren**

In today's Gospel from Luke, Jesus says, "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple." Our Lord is speaking here not of emotions but of priorities. He must come first in all aspects of our lives.

He goes on. "Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." In other words, it's all or nothing ... no compromising. Christ wants us to give all of ourselves, all aspects of our life and family life, over to Him and to the pursuit of His kingdom.

And just when we think He might soften this message to make it a little more palatable, He goes even further! "Anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." Why is our Lord being so demanding? Only because He knows us so well and loves us so much.

He knows if we do not put Him first before all else, we will easily be swallowed up by the earthly cares that

weigh us down - our material things, status and ego. He knows these things cannot satisfy us. He knows this because He is our Maker, and He made us for more.

We are made to be His disciples and to seek after Him. Embracing stewardship as a way of life allows us to count the cost, and then run after Him with all our might.

