3 Year Faith Theme: 2024-2027

<u>Disciples on a Journey</u> Our Path, Our Accompaniment, Our Encounter



HFCRD's 3-year theme 2024-2027 is **Disciples on a Journey**. The faith focus will support teaching and learning for students and staff as disciples on a spiritual **journey**. It will include self-reflection and bring attention to the universal holiness that connects us all to God and his universe. On this journey we will be **accompanied** by peers, mentors, leaders, and have the opportunity to share our living faith through experience and reconciliation. Using our personal gifts, on the final leg of our journey we will **encounter** others whom we can serve and nurture in our schools, community and the world around us.

Our journey will help answer the questions of , "Who am I?" "What is my life's purpose?" "Who am I to others?" and "How can I contribute to society?" .

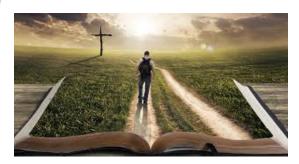
Topics and activities will encourage living life based on Christ's teachings, encourage a spirit of simplicity and humility, hold a special concern for the poor, show care for the alienated, build a sense of fraternal correction, common prayer, mutual forgiveness and demonstrate love. Opportunities will be provided to help guide students and staff to identify moments in their life when the Holy Spirit has moved and support them, as well as equip them to support evangelization, witness faith and contribute to community life.



2024-25 Year 1: Disciples on a Journey: Our Path

" Who am I?"

"Love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." John 13:34–35



Faith Focus:

Youth and young adults begin their discipleship journey in baptism and continue on that journey when they come to love Christ and follow His ways. Our journey will help answer the questions of **"Who am I?"**

- **Made in the image of God** "Man was created in God's image and was commanded to conquer the earth and to rule the world in justice and holiness: he was to acknowledge God as maker of all things and relate himself and the totality of creation to him, so that through the dominion of all things by man the name of God would be majestic in all the earth"
 - Intellectual, Love on Another, Freedom to Choose Good, Relationships, Morality, Spiritual Life
- Recognize God in us and around us
 - o Trinity Father, Son and Holy Spirit
 - o Sacraments, Beauty of the Universe, Nature, Peace & Joy, Scripture
- Universal Holiness of all people and things
 - Humility, trust, virtues, gladness, generosity, worship, fellowship habits of holiness (spiritual readings, morning prayer/offering, the Rosary, examination of conscience)
- **God is good, even when bad things happen** "All things work together for the good of those who love and trust the Lord and are called according to his purposes" (Romans 8:28)
 - Mercy, Suffering, Trust in God, Gods Trinity (crucifixion, resurrection, ascension of Jesus), The Work of the Holy Spirit

Saint	HFCRD Saint Day	Information & Feast Day
Saint Michael	October 10	Saint Michael is an archangel, a spiritual warrior in the battle of good versus evil. He is considered a champion of justice, a healer of the sick, and the guardian of the Church. IPatron Saint of Military, Law Enforcement, Banking, and Grocers September 29th
St. John	February 4	Flourished c.1 - c.100; died 98 AD Patron Saint of love, loyalty, friendships and authors Love -Friendship / Loyalty - December 27th
Mother Teresa	June 6	Truth, Beauty and Goodness Patron Saint of Calcutta St. Teresa of Calcutta 1910-1997 September 5th

Will include

- guiding resources
- professional & personal faith development retreat and activities
- educational/curriculum
- connection to the liturgical year
- ways to support youth in prayer
- Saints will be ongoing strategy for learning and growth

2025-26 Year 2:

Disciples on a Journey: Our Accompaniment

"Who am I to others?"

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. <u>Isaiah 41:10</u>

- Christ is our Model
- Mentorship and Sharing, role modeling faith
- Walking together and reconciliation

Faith Focus:

We become missionary disciples when they seek to witness and serve those most in need, beginning with those closest to them.

2026-27 Year 3: Disciples on a Journey: Our Encounter

"How can I contribute to society?"

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: <u>1 Peter 4:10</u>

- Collaborative contribute- finding meaning, dignity and vocation
- Listen, Learn and Live in Faith
- To Nurture and Serve

Faith Focus:

Empowering others, opportunity for leadership, participating in faith, sharing our gifts, and working to foster a welcoming, Christ-centered culture where all can feel known and cared for.