

SUMMER ADULT FORMATION - THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS

The poll results are in from our winter session, and *The Seven Sacraments* won by a narrow margin, with *Relationships & Boundaries in Scripture: Genesis, Mark, Timothy & Titus* and *Celtic Spirituality* tied for second place. So, when we conclude next month's sessions, I'll take another vote to see what we should do in the winter, though *Celtic Spirituality* requires seven or eight sessions and that would be better left for summer 2018.

Anyway, because of several Tuesday night conflicts, this summer's sessions will be on seven consecutive **Wednesdays** at **7:00p.m.** in the Burke Center, beginning on **July 5** and concluding on **August 16**. The topics will be arranged in this way:

- July 5: *Introduction & Sacraments of Vocation: Holy Orders*
- July 12: *Sacraments of Vocation, Pt. II: Matrimony*
- July 19: *Sacraments of Healing: Penance*
- July 26: *Sacraments of Healing Pt. II: Anointing of the Sick*
- August 2: *Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism*
- August 9: *Sacraments of Initiation Pt. II: Confirmation*
- August 16: *Sacraments of Initiation Pt. III: Eucharist*

When I've done this topic in the past, I used four sessions, but the input and discussion stretched things out beyond a reasonable length. So since we have the time (at least I do!), I decided to stretch it to the logical number of seven, each of which should last from 60 to 90 minutes so that no one will go home tired, especially if we have a heat wave like last year.

But unfortunately once again, I have to limit the number to a maximum of 40 participants to avoid having anyone sitting on someone else's lap, so please **call the rectory office** as soon as you can if you wish to attend. And even though this isn't strictly Scripture Study, we will be looking at a considerable number of bible passages so you will need a Revised New American Bible. If you don't have one and would like to purchase one for \$10.00, just indicate that when you register.

I'll look forward once again to seven lively evenings of study, discussion and sharing.

Fr. Bob