**FORMING FAITH IN THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY PAGE**

Formation can occur at any time and any place. The Diocese of New Jersey is pleased to offer several excellent formation resources for individuals, families, small groups, and parishes. These include opportunities for gathered formation, resources for individual faith practices, and videos and other recordings.

We invite you to participate in our Diocesan Formation offerings:

* **Bishop Stokes’ Bible Study** / Wednesdays at 7:00 pm

Register: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/upMpfu6oqj4jeIjyuSMlLW7MyJUrs3leqQ?utm_source=Episcopal+Diocese+of+New+Jersey&utm_campaign=b805b05bb8-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_4_12_2019_16_55_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_9fb15a394c-b805b05bb8-202421404>

* **Diocesan Sunday School** / videos available on YouTube
In person Zoom sessions / Sundays at 9:00 am

Register: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/uJYpc-uhqDgtPWCAByjyZIqkNmE4xd28AQ>

The Diocese of New Jersey also offers a growing library of video series, which can be used by individuals, families, and small groups to explore elements of our faith:

* **Foundations of Faith series** / videos available on YouTube (supplemental resources coming soon!)
*Who is God? How has God acted in the world? How do we live in response? Join the Diocese of New Jersey as we study the foundations of the Christian faith alongside prominent Christian thinkers, pastors, and teachers from the Episcopal Church and other traditions. This series of eight videos, moderated by the Rev. Kije Mugisha-Rwamasirabo and the Rev. Canon Dr. Kara Slade, traces a basic outline of Christian theology from God to Scripture to the Christian life.

Each video is approximately 20 minutes long, suitable for adult formation groups or for individuals and families to watch on their own. We are grateful to the Constable Fund of the Episcopal Church for making it possible for people across New Jersey, the nation, and the world to know their story so that they may live it boldly.

Link:* <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLVCm-Yr1afkE3GSQ7RTuQarh-eTYlBTmq>
* **Praying the Anglican Prayer Beads series** / videos available on YouTube
*Praying with beads is a way to enter a deeper, more meditative prayer space. The feel of the beads combined with the repetitive nature of the prayers help focus the mind and invite the Spirit in.

In this series of short videos, you can follow along as we pray three types of prayer bead devotions:*
*1. Traditional Prayer features familiar devotions
2. Serenity Prayer is built around the “Serenity Prayer” and other devotions to give over power to God.
3. Healing Prayer asks for intercession for ourselves or others in need of healing.

All prayers appear on screen, and you can pray with us even if you don’t have your own set of beads.

Link:* <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLVCm-Yr1afkFqwV5hohEtjwFl2vlPpI1f>
* **Sermons from Bishop Stokes** / videos available on YouTube
*View Bishop Stokes’ weekly sermons on a variety of topics.

Link*: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLVCm-Yr1afkGqI3DVSDW1YlyRFccV0Yde>
* **Sunday School** / videos available on YouTube
*In this series, Anne Delgado and her son Matthew present Bible lessons using the Spark Story Bible. Each lesson follows a familiar format of opening prayer, Bible story, discussion, and an activity for use at home or in small groups. These videos were filmed during COVID-19 restrictions, but can be used anytime.

Link:* <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLVCm-Yr1afkEoGFogzgXJwaAqJ8rrJaGc>
* **The Gospel of Mark** / videos available on YouTube
*In this exclusive video presented by the Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey, Biblical Storyteller Dr. Tracy Radosevic presents the entire Gospel of Mark. In it, she gives a very human depiction of Jesus, as presented in the Gospel that tells the savior’s most human version of the story.

Link*: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLVCm-Yr1afkGeNnw02ZuokN75GsI3Qez->
* **What is Lent?** / videos available on YouTube
*Join clergy from the Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey for simple, straightforward discussion of the days of Lent, their meaning, and the practices generally followed by the church.

Link*: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLVCm-Yr1afkGj2WC1hC85_jH05naZsi3n>
* **Resources for Advent** / videos available on YouTube
*This series of videos explores ways to practice faith at home during Advent, including devotions, Advent wreaths, and other resources.

Link:* <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLVCm-Yr1afkHWC45nwwIYezbF0hvPJzrf>