



Vacation Bible School 2024



Dear Parents,

GET READY TO SPLASH INTO FUN!

At Totally Catholic Scuba VBS, kids will dive into a friendship with God. Scuba is filled with awesome scripture-learning experiences kids see, hear, and touch! Hands on science experiments, team-building games, unforgettable Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life. (Since everything is hands-on, kids might get a little messy. Be sure to send them in play clothes and sturdy shoes.) Plus, we'll help kids discover how to see evidence of God in everyday life—something we call God Sightings®. Get ready to hear that phrase a lot!

We are excited to offer our
One In Christ Area Catholic Community the opportunity to DIVE into
**TWO SCUBA VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
SESSIONS**

to be held at St. Francis Xavier!

Join us:

June 23rd-27th from 6:00pm-8:00pm

(We must have a minimum of 25 kids to hold the evening session).

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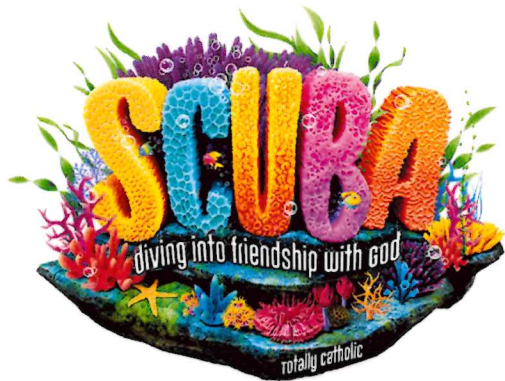
June 24th-June 28th from 9:00am-12:00pm

Choose which session works best for your family

VBS is open to kids ages 4 through those going into 5th grade.

Students going into 6th grade or older are invited to volunteer!

There is an optional dinner that will be served before the evening session. You will be asked to RSVP as to whether or not your family will attend in June.



Registration Information

Please fill out the attached registration form. Registration forms can be mailed or dropped off directly at St. Francis Xavier (PO Box 150, Sartell, MN 56377) OR given to your home parish and they will get it to St. Francis Xavier. Scanning and emailing also works, please send to mfox@stfrancissartell.org). Payments can also be made online at stfrancissartell.org.

Cost:

\$40.00 Per child- now through May 1st

\$50.00 per child from May 2nd through June 1st

\$80.00 per student after June 1st. Registration will be accepted in June if there is space and supplies available.

****Registration must be received by St. Francis Xavier by May 1st to be guaranteed a t-shirt****

If you volunteer- your children could be free. There are many ways to volunteer both on site and at home. See volunteer form for ways to volunteer.

Cost includes: T-Shirt, a craft/gizmo, snack, Bible Buddies and MORE each day!

No student will be turned away due to the inability to pay. Simply let the parish VBS contact know.

All checks should be made out to St. Francis Xavier. If you wish to pay with a credit card you can pay through the St. Francis Xavier website. Look for the Donate/Pay button at the top of the page.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact any one of us!

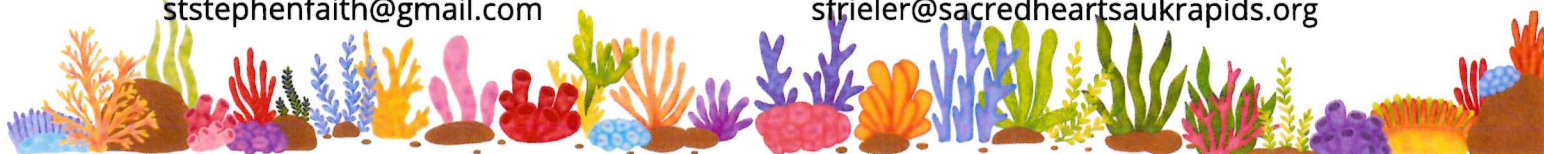
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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION

June 23-27, 2024- 6:00pm-8:00pm

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OR

June 24-28, 2024- 9:00am-12:00pm

with an optional dinner at 5:30pm for evening session

Held at St. Francis Xavier

Open to all kids ages 4 through 5th Grade

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\$50.00 per student between May 2nd and June 1st

After June 1st: \$80.00 per student if we have space and supplies

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See letter to learn how your kids can go for free! Also see the letter for what the cost covers

FAMILY INFORMATION

Name of Parent(s): _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Telephone: (_____) _____

Parent/Caregivers Cellphone: (_____) _____ (Mom)

(_____) _____ (Dad)

Home email address (required) _____

Home Parish _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Must list someone other than a parent- (parents will always try to be reached first)

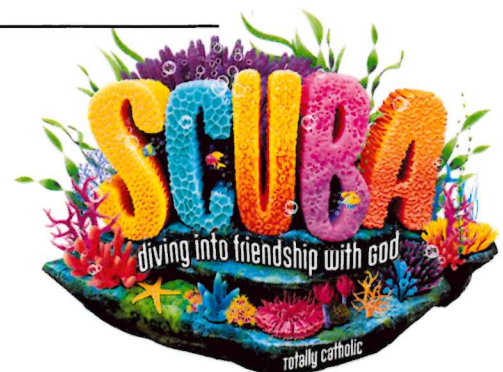
In case of emergency, contact: _____

Phone: _____

Relationship to Child (ren): _____



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STUDENT INFORMATION

Child's Name: _____ Gender _____

Child's Current Age: _____ Date of Birth _____

Grade in '23-'24 _____ T-Shirt Size _____

Allergies or other medical conditions _____

Special Dietary Needs _____

_____ **9:00AM to 12:00PM** OR _____ **6:00PM to 8:00PM**

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: Paid \$ _____ Cash Check # _____ Online

Parent Volunteer: _____ Fee Waived

Google Doc _____ SFX Students Parishsoft _____ Flocknote Group _____



Join the VBS SCUBA TEAM

We can't DIVE into this SCUBA week without you! Help is needed leading up to the week and the week of! Please see the list below for all the different areas in which to get involved. This is a fun week you aren't going to want to miss. Please either mail your volunteer form to St. Francis Xavier or drop off with your parish coordinator. (PO Box 150, Sartell, MN 56377)

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Parish: _____

I will volunteer: _____ June 23-27---6:00pm-8:00pm

_____ June 24-28---9:00am-12:00pm

Grade: _____ (if applicable) Volunteer T-Shirt-Size (adult sizes) _____

(all volunteers that volunteer for the entire week will receive a t-shirt. You must be registered by May 1st to guarantee shirt size choice) They cost \$10.00 if you would like to make a donation towards your shirt you are invited to, but not required.)

VOLUNTEER AREAS

PLEASE Rank your choices #1-4. Spots will be filled on a first come first serve basis.

If you volunteer for either session the week of VBS, your children are free!

If you volunteer to be a part of the Decorations Team your children could be free! (see flyer)

If you volunteer on the prep team (help prepare things in the office at St. Francis Xavier or at home leading up to the week you get 50% off your registration- see flyer)

Main station leaders need to be current 10th graders or older, assistants or crew leaders can be anyone going into 6th grade and up! Please circle Leader or Assistant!

_____ Decorations Team (see flyer for specific info) _____ Prep Team (help prep things ahead of VBS)

_____ Elementary Crew Leader OR Assistant _____ Preschool Crew Leader OR Assistant

_____ Bible Adventure Station Leader OR Assistant _____ Reef Rec Games Station Leader OR Assistant

_____ Imagination Station Leader OR Assistant _____ Sticky Scripture Station Leader OR Assistant

_____ Sing and Play Splash / Fin Tastic Finale Leader OR Assistant _____ Photographer for the week

_____ I don't want to help lead station or a crew, but I will be an extra set of hands to help during VBS
Please see descriptions of each station on the reverse side of this sheet

VOLUNTEER AREA DESCRIPTIONS

At VBS our kids visit several stations each day. Each station is staffed by an adult and/or teen leaders. Each station features a different activity each day that reinforces what kids are learning about God. Kids rotate through the other stations with their crews. Kids visit the following stations each day:

Remember this is the EASY VBS, everything is laid out for you—right down to what to say! Anyone can do it!!

Sing & Play Splash: They get introduced to the Bible Point, key scripture verse and bible memory buddy each day. They sing fun songs and they discuss their god sightings. This leader or leaders would start the day off for our young people!

Bible Adventure: Kids experience the daily bible story in a hands on way. Crew leaders lead small group discussions where kids get to connect their bible experiences with real life as our station leader brings the bible stories to life.

Imagination Station: Kids dive into exciting experiments that connect the daily bible story and point. Station leaders lead our students in these exciting experiments.

Sticky Scripture: With Sticky Scripture, you'll help kids deepen their Bible literacy skills in surprising ways. They'll dive into God's Word with multiple senses, understanding the words, where they are in Scripture, and how the verse applies to them today.

Reef Rec Games: Kids play games that connect with the daily bible point and then discuss the connection with age appropriate questions. Each day there are three game options for our kids to play.

Fin Tastic Closing: Kids watch a special Spotlight VBS slideshow featuring photos of our kids at VBS that day. Kids sing songs and the leader helps kids apply what they have learned throughout the day to their every day life.

Crew Leaders: Lead a small group of students from one activity to the next. These leaders help lead the students in discussion and have lots of fun with them throughout the week.

Photographer: just captures our week in pictures. They will take pictures assemble the daily Spotlight Video (all laid out, just drop the pictures in). They will also take our crew pictures and individual pictures that are used during the week.



Important Information

Part of the fun of Vacation Bible School is transforming the spaces we use to go with the theme. In order to make this a reality, we are in need of LOTS of help! Both in person and at home!

If you volunteer to be a part of the Decorations Team and attend 3 Decoration Making Sessions (or be willing to make items at home) and attend one of the decorating days/evenings your children are free! (so attend 4 times)

Decoration Making Session Dates @ SFX

Monday, March 4 and 11 -4:30-7:30PM

Monday, April 8 -4:30-7:30PM

Monday, April 29- 6-7:30PM

(More dates to be added in May- come for 1.5 hours during anyone of these times)

Decorating for VBS at St. Francis Xavier: TENTATIVE dates as of now

Wednesday, June 19th 4-8PM Decorate School and Classrooms

Thursday, June 20th: 10AM-Noon- Gathering Area Set Up/Decorating

Friday, June 21 at 10AM-Noon -Decorate the Church and final touches on gathering area

More concrete dates and times will be announced in May. The dates we actually decorate will depend on any funerals we may have. So dates and times could move up to a week before.

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Important Information

There is a lot of prep work that goes into organizing all the materials and station supplies that are needed to make Vacation Bible School a success. To help it be successful, we would love to have extra hands in prepping materials. Some things need to be done on site at St. Francis Xavier, however some things can be done at home.

Help once- either at home or in person and your total fee will be 50% off.
Plan to spend about 2 hours working on projects either in person or at home.

Specific projects and dates and times will be worked out on an individual basis.
You will be contacted after you sign up with more information.