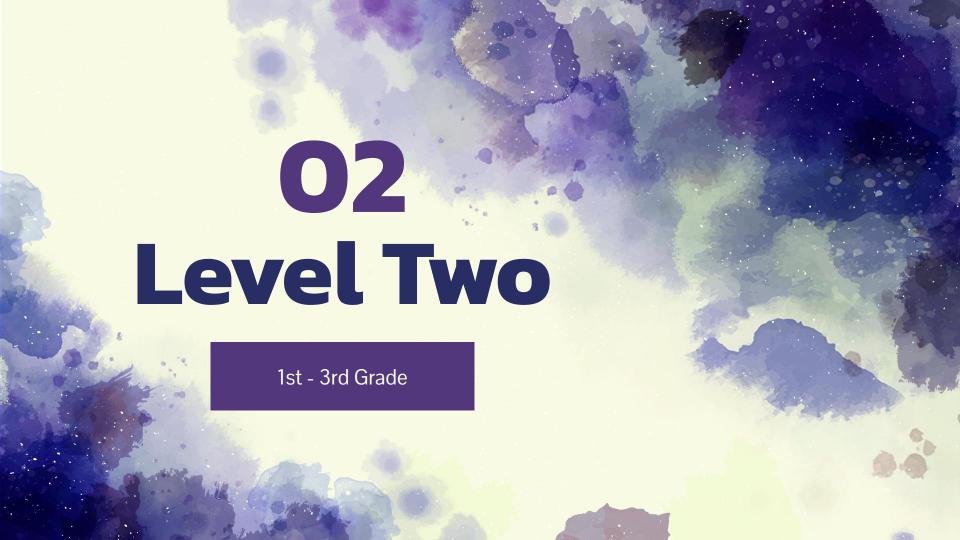




# The Kingdom of God...What is it like?

We explore one of Jesus' favorite topics The Kingdom of God! We know that Jesus
wanted us to know what the Kingdom of
God was like so he gave us parables to
think deeply about it. We look at the
Mustard Seed, The Precious Pearl, The
Hidden Treasure, the Yeast, and the
Growing Seed. We enjoy how something
so small and precious becomes something
even more great and grand!





### **Tell Us More About the Kingdom**

As we grow older, we begin to to listen to the parables that Jesus told us about the Kingdom with new ears.

We look at all the parables we've already heard from Level One - The Mustard Seed, The Precious Pearl, The Hidden Treasure, The Yeast, The Growing Seed - and we begin to look at what similarities and differences there are to see if we can discover even more about the Kingdom of God. From this, we discover that the Kingdom of God is one of growth and transformation, beauty and value.

We look at them again individually as well and think about who might be the merchant in the parable of the Precious Pearl? Who might be the pearl? Where is the Kingdom of God? What is my role in the Kingdom of God? There is always more to discover!



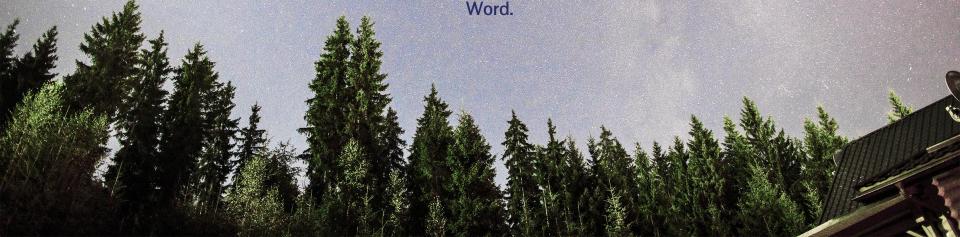


"There has always been a plan in the mind of God to bring all creation to fullness of life."

This is the opening as we begin to explore Creation in the Bible. We see God's goodness in all that He created and the abundant gifts given to us. This is our first dive into the Old Testament (other than the Messianic Prophecies that we explore in Advent). We'll explore the account of creation in scripture before moving to see how Jesus brings us to more fullness of life in the sacraments.

Then we'll look at how at Parousia, all creation will be brought into that fullness of life!

These typologies help us to unpack scripture and how it impacts our lives. The conversations that arise from these studies amongst the 4th-6th grade students is deep and truly an inspiration as they ponder and think theologically about a personal response to what they encounter in God's





### **News & Updates**

#### **No RE Class**

Sunday, Feb. 11 Sunday, Feb. 18 Monday, Feb. 19.

### Children's Stations of the Cross

Our children will lead this prayerful devotion on March 15 at 7pm in the church. It is a child friendly version and all families are invited!

### Ash Wednesday RE Mass

Join us for Mass on Ash Wednesday, February 14, at 4:45 pm!

We ask that all our Religious Education families attend from all sessions if possible.

### Happy Baptism Anniversary!

Jayden Martin - Feb. 1 Briar Bowsher - Feb. 9

May you experience God's love for you and may you grow in your friendship with Him always!

## Lenten Family Activities at St. Robert

#### **Soup Supper Fridays**

- 5:00p-6:30p in Angel Hall every Friday during Lent!
- Soup, salad, bread, and mac-n-cheese for the little ones!

#### Also happening on Friday...

- Confession is upstairs in the church from 5:30-6:30p
- Stations of the Cross is 7pm in the church.

### Lenten Talk (for Parents): Eucharist as a Sacrament of Relationship

- February 27, 7:00-8:00p in the church.
- Our speaker is Dawn Hausmann from the Diocese of Lansing
- Childcare is available upon request - contact the RE Office.
- It's FREE and a good way to kickoff Lent!

# Catholic Youth Summer Camp for Middle School (6th-8th Grade)

Catholic Youth Summer Camps with Damascus (in Brighton, MI) are high adventure, high Faith. Lots of outdoor activities but also deeply impactful encounter opportunities, liturgies and presentations - all age appropriate for Middle School!

Financial aid help can be provided from the Diocese of Lansing and from St. Robert. Please contact us if you are interested in financial aid for this encounter experience for your child.

More information is available at their website:

Damascus Middle School Camp





