

# St. Mary's Summer 2009 Catholic Vacation Bible School



Theme: "To Be A Saint"

Monday, July 27<sup>th</sup>- Friday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009  
9am-12:45pm each day in St. Mary's Lyceum on 313 Duke St.

**What:** **St. Mary's Vacation Bible School** is a uniquely Catholic experience for our parish children aimed at faith formation within the context of a summer camp-like atmosphere. This year's theme, *To Be A Saint*, aims at helping children realize that they have been created by a loving God, in His image and likeness, and created good. It also aims to help children know the great joy of knowing, loving, and serving God by learning about the lives of the saints, especially the many young saints that have lived the past few centuries as priests, religious, husbands, wives, single people, and children. In a world that desperately seeks role models, we as Catholics have a great treasure in the lives of our many inspiring SAINTS!

**Fee:** \$25.00 per child. \$75.00 for three or more children.

**Ages:** 5-10 Years of Age. (Some activities are done in age groups of 5-6, 7-8, etc.).

---

We are looking forward to this year with a great theme, a talented and faith-filled group of volunteers, and a Saint Procession and Final Mass to top off the week! In order to make things run smoothly, please be aware of the following:

1. Vacation Bible School begins in St. Mary's Lyceum at 9am. **Please drop off your children at the Lyceum between 8:45-9:00am and NO EARLIER THAN 8:45AM!** Pickup is after 12:10 Mass at the Church at 12:45pm. Early pickups will be at the Lyceum, not at the Church, but pickups **after 12pm** will be at the Church.
2. Our final day, Friday July 31<sup>st</sup>, we will have a Special Procession and Family Mass. **All Parents are invited to attend in the Church beginning at 11:00am. VBS will then end with the 12:10pm Family Mass in the Church.**
3. **On the FINAL Day, children are invited to dress as their favorite saint.**

God bless you and your families and let us all pray for a fruitful VBS week that instills the zeal and desire to be a light to a world and culture that is thirsting for answers to the basic questions of life, faith, and a love only God can ultimately give.

*\*\*Questions and further information, please contact Luis Brown, Director of Religious Education, at (703) 836-5450 or [brownluis@hotmail.com](mailto:brownluis@hotmail.com).\*\**