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FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS

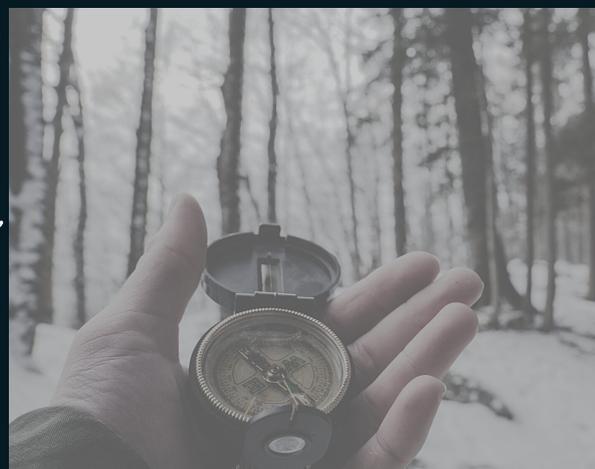
ENGAGE

SMALL GROUP EDITION

We are inviting all parishioners to encounter Christ this Lent through small groups. Of course small groups are not "one size fits all", so we want to share the different variations to make sure you can pick the one that fits your life and needs best!

THE SEARCH What is this journey between life and death? Is the journey taking you somewhere, or are you leading yourself to some kind of destination – a destination that could extend beyond your last breath? What do you want from your life during the in-between? The questions are there. And, the answers are too.

The Search is for anyone looking to answer the question of "why?" It's a video-based small group that will have the option for a weekly discussion over zoom led by Ed Grady, our Director of Adult Formation. Ed is an experienced small group leader, but more importantly, he makes everyone feel comfortable and welcome. If you're unsure about joining a small group or want something simple, **The Search** might be for you! You can sign up on our website or join whenever by keeping an eye out for the email that will be sent out with the videos and link to the discussion. Also, if you miss a discussion, that's ok. This small group variation is more low key, but will still be worth every moment you spend there!



STRUCTURED SMALL GROUP



These small groups meet at a scheduled time and have a particular focus. Some will discuss the Gospel

reading from the week before, another is focused on a book called "*I Heard God Laugh*." These groups are lead by experienced members of the ENGAGE team. Sometimes it can be intimidating to commit to something new and each leader understands that! They are welcoming and invite, not pressure, everyone to share.

Typically these small groups take place in person, but this year they will be hosted over Zoom. But that doesn't mean you can't still grab a cup of coffee or a glass of wine and enjoy the small group community from the comfort of your own home!

If you have any questions or interest in a small group but don't know which one is for you, please don't hesitate to contact us! We're happy to help however you need. You can email Ed Grady at egrady@parish.stnorbert.org. Or just call the parish office: 610-644-1655. We're looking forward to hearing from you!

INFORMAL GROUP



Finally, we have informal small groups - don't let the name fool you, they are just as transformative as any other group!

An informal group can be made up of as few or as many people as you like. And can meet as often or infrequently as you please. That's why they're informal!

Here are some examples of what these groups can look like:

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Once a week, after the kids are asleep (or quiet anyway!) you and your spouse watch **The Search** video of the week and talk about it.

You and your friend both want to read "**I Heard God Laugh**". So each week you read a certain number of pages then on Thursday at 7pm you FaceTime each other to talk about what you ready

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These are just two of the many different ways to create an informal small group! And if you have any questions, are looking for resources, or want some support, we want to help you! Just give us a call or shoot an email!

