



Thursday evenings at St. Mary of the Hills, from 6:45 PM - 9:15 PM

First Session is February 8, 2018. You are Invited!

- ❖ Enjoy a meal and fellowship
- ❖ Listen to a dynamic teaching
- ❖ Join in a small group discussion about the meaning of life in Jesus Christ
- ❖ Deepen or revitalize your faith
- ❖ Have a life-changing encounter with the Holy Spirit

What is “Discovering Christ”?

A joyful seven week experience where participants explore the meaning of life and consider how and where Jesus Christ fits into their life. The experience includes a faith encounter with the Holy Spirit.

Who should attend?

Anyone with an open mind and heart who wishes to explore, revitalize or deepen their faith. Whether certain, uncertain, struggling with faith, or wishing to grow as a disciple of Christ – this program is for you.

Where did this program come from and why is our parish doing this?

“Discovering Christ” was developed by the ChristLife Catholic Ministry in Baltimore, Maryland and has been used throughout the United States. This will be our third presentation of “Discovering Christ” at St. Mary of the Hills. Feedback from the previous sessions has included: “Weekly sessions were great,” “My life has improved,” “a life-saver,” “an improved relationship with Jesus,” and “glad I went.”

What should I expect?

Expect a friendly and supportive atmosphere where everyone is made comfortable and nurtured to explore their relationship with Jesus. A typical session includes a social meal, fellowship, video teaching and small group discussion. Music and prayer are an important part of the experience as well. The program is comprised of seven sessions with a retreat on Saturday, March 10.

What if I might miss a session – Can I still attend?

Yes. While each session explores important themes, if you must miss a session, you can “catch up” by viewing the lesson from the *Christlife.org* website. But save the date, and plan to attend the Saturday retreat on March 10 if at all possible! Many have described the retreat as the highlight of the program.

Is there a cost?

There is no cost to participants. Participants may give a free will offering later in the program to help defray the cost of meals and materials.

Will childcare be available?

Yes, if requested at the time of registration. Childcare will be provided by certified individuals who have completed the Archdiocese of Detroit’s “Protecting God’s Children” course.

What is the schedule?

There are seven weekly Thursday evening sessions. Each begins with a delicious meal followed by a video-based teaching, and small group discussion. There is a full-day retreat on Saturday March 10.

Dates	Week	Topic
February 8	1	What Is the Meaning of Life?
February 15	2	Why Does Jesus Matter?
February 22	3	What Does Jesus Want Us to Know?
March 1	4	Why Do I Need a Savior?
March 8	5	Why is the Resurrection Important?
March 10	Retreat	Morning: Who is the Holy Spirit? Afternoon: The Holy Spirit and You
March 15	6	New Life in the Spirit: Being a Catholic Disciple
March 22	7	Believing and Belonging: Why We Need the Church

How do I find out more information about this program?

Helpful resources and videos are available online at christlife.org. You may also contact the St. Mary’s office, or Phillips.smth@gmail.com.

Do I need to pre-register?

Pre-registration is requested for planning purposes. Please register at Eventbrite.com (search for “Discovering Christ” and “Rochester Hills”), or return the form below to the Parish Office.

Registration Form – Discovering Christ – Please Return to Parish Office

Name (s): _____

Phone #: _____

Email Address: _____

Do you need childcare? (If so, how many children and what ages?): _____