



Living out the Church Year

Make Faith Formation come alive in the home with Liturgy out of the Box! Kits are comprised of approximately 5 faith formation lessons based on each season of the Liturgical (Church) Calendar. Five kits will be available from October – May for each catechetical year. (Ordinary Time 1, Advent/Christmas, Ordinary Time 2, Lent, Easter). Lessons can be explored one at a time (once a week) or clustered together giving family members, of any age, an opportunity to learn new information and celebrate the feasts of the Church year. Liturgy out of the Box can be used as a self-contained Faith Formation Program or it can be used as a supplement to any existing program.

Creating the lessons are:

Nancy Mason Bordley

By way of introduction, allow me to share a little bit about myself. I have ministered professionally in the areas of Religious Education and Adult Education, Worship, and Music for over 40 years. I am a spiritual director and I facilitate retreats. I received a Doctor of Ministry from the Graduate Theological Foundation, in South Bend, IN, a M.A. in Pastoral Studies, from Sts. Cyril and Methodius Seminary, Orchard Lake, MI, and a B.A. in Religious Education from St. Mary's College, Orchard Lake, MI. I also hold a Graduate Certificate in Spiritual Direction from the Dominican Center for Religious Development where I was on staff for two years; teaching and mentoring spiritual direction interns.

My ministry experience includes teaching: Elementary Music, Adult Education, RCIA, and Catechist Formation and my background includes many years of Music Ministry, Directing Religious Education Programs, Worship, Spirituality and Pastoral Care. I've been employed at several parishes in the Archdiocese of Detroit. I teach at both Siena Heights University and for the Graduate Theological Foundation of South Bend, IN.

Michelle Pittel

My name is Michelle Pittel and I live in Sylvan Lake, MI with my husband of thirty years. We have three grown children and a beautiful boat that we enjoy spending summer days on.

I am currently an AOD certified teacher working full time at a local Catholic High School. The teaching profession invigorates and challenges me daily!

I have ministered professionally in the areas of Religious Education and am an AOD certified DRE. I spent three years working with the Grand Rapids Dominicans to receive my practicum in Spiritual Direction which is invaluable when working with high school students.

I received an undergraduate and MRE degree from the Graduate Theological Foundation, in South Bend, IN.

Prior to working in a high school, I have been employed at several parishes in the Archdiocese of Detroit in the areas of Director of Religious Education, RCIA, and Youth Ministry.

I have received Certifications in Protecting God's Children and Called to Serve from the Arch Dioceses of Detroit, where I continue to facilitate at their request. I have attended the Oakland County Mediation Center for Mediation and spent many years facilitating court cases for Oakland County.