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# St. John Neumann Middle School Faith Formation

# NEEDS YOU!

Over 300 middle school youth participate in Rooted (Faith Formation for 6th–8th Grade) each year and around 100 volunteers are needed to keep the program running smoothly. Rooted plans to begin in-person this year and we are in great need of your help!

**THERE ARE MANY DIFFERENT VOLUNTEER ROLES INCLUDING THOSE WHO SERVE THE YOUTH DIRECTLY AND THOSE WHO HELP OUT BEHIND THE SCENES. HELP IS NEEDED FROM A VARIETY OF SKILL SETS AND COMMITMENT LEVELS. WE ARE LOOKING FOR PEOPLE TO LEAD LESSONS, ACCOMPANY AND FACILITATE SMALL FAITH SHARING GROUPS, ASSIST WITH LOGISTICS, AND AND MUCH MORE. THE YOUTH NEED YOUR HELP!**

For more info and to signup, visit:

**[WWW.SAINTJN.ORG/ROOTED](http://WWW.SAINTJN.ORG/ROOTED)**

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# HEAR WHAT ROOTED VOLUNTEERS HAVE TO SAY:



The Rooted program has been a lot of fun because they keep us moving. I am more comfortable behind the scenes so I've been able to help with session coordination and logistics that don't require me to teach, but help keep the program running smoothly. It also helps me set an example for my son about the importance of being involved with our Church Family.

-Tina Carr (Rooted Volunteer Session Coordinator)

Volunteering with the Rooted youth is my way of "Letting my Light Shine" during an important time in their own faith lives. By continuing to sow the seeds of faith in our SJN youth, we are helping to keep His memory alive in ourselves while reviving it in others. I tend to receive more back from these youth as they discover their faith more deeply through this very special journey.

- Mary Anne Dooley (Rooted Volunteer Station Leader)



I get more out of Rooted than I put in. The workload is very manageable and the sessions are always so well organized. It makes my job as a small group facilitator very easy. Middle schoolers can be a tough crowd, but the topics and format of Rooted allows them the time to talk about faith, family, and friendship. The most rewarding aspect is to see the incredible depth of faith in some of our younger members of the parish.

I would tell anyone who is thinking of volunteering with Rooted to JUST DO IT! You can make a big difference in a youth's life and it doesn't take a huge chunk of your time. The adult volunteers are always willing to help each other out and I've enjoyed getting to know my fellow parishioners..young and old.

- Mike Orr (Rooted Volunteer Small Group Facilitator)

