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Special points of interest:

- *How is your Lenton sacrifice going?*
- *Holy Week*
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End of the year

I cannot believe this is the last months newsletter for 2021-2022 year. I always state in September that April will take for ever to get here. But then I know once Christmas break hits, the year goes fast after that, and it has. We have so much to cover yet before the last Wednesday in April so hold on to your hats and I will update you on what needs to happen for

a bunch of our classes. I am so ready for spring. Yes I know, we had a very mild winter and it could have been worse, but I am ready to be outside after work, I am ready to be in my garden and I want to take walks that take me hours before I come back home.

I love looking at God's beauty while I am outside and it makes me think of all the gifts God has given us.



How are we growing in God's love?

Prayers

I KNOW I TOLD EVERYONE THAT I WAS GOING TO TEST OUT THE STUDENTS THREE TIMES THIS YEAR ON THEIR PRAYERS, SO I WILL BE TESTING ALL KIDS OUT ONE MORE TIME BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE PRACTICING THEIR PRAYERS SO WE DO NOT GET BEHIND. IF I FEEL A STUDENT IS NOT WHERE THEY NEED TO BE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR, I MAY LOOK AT KEEPING THEM

BACK A GRADE SO THEY KNOW THEIR PRAYERS BY THE TIME THEY ARE TO BE CONFIRMED.

LET ME KNOW IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ON THIS.

2021-2022 Yearly Schedule

~~Sept 8 – First night of class~~

~~Sept 15 – Class~~

~~Sept 22 – Class~~

~~Sept 29 – Class~~

~~Oct 6 – Class~~

~~Oct 13 – Class~~

~~Oct 20 – Class~~

~~Oct 27 – Class~~

~~Nov 3 – Class~~

~~Nov 10 – Class~~

~~Nov 17 – Class~~

~~Nov 24 – No Class~~

~~HAPPY TURKEY DAY~~

~~Dec 1 – Class/Confessions~~

~~Dec 8 – Mass~~

~~Dec 15 – Class/Christmas Party~~

~~Dec 23 – No Class~~

~~Dec 25 – Merry Christmas~~

~~Dec 29 – No Class~~

~~Dec 30 – No Class~~

~~Jan 1 – HAPPY NEW YEAR~~

~~Jan 5 – Class~~

~~Jan 12 – Class/First Reconciliation Retreat~~

~~Jan 19 – Class~~

~~Jan 22 – First Reconciliation~~

~~Jan 26 – Class~~

~~Feb 2 – Stations of the Cross~~

~~Feb 9 – Class~~

~~Feb 16 – Class~~

~~Feb 23 – Class~~

~~March 2 – Ash Wednesday Mass~~

~~March 9 – Stations of the Cross/Activity~~

~~March 16 – Class~~

~~March 23 – Mass/Activity~~

~~March 30 – Class~~

April 6 – Confessions

April 13 – No Class–Easter Break

April 17 – HAPPY EASTER

April 20 – Class

April 25 – First Communion Retreat at 7pm

April 27 – Last night of class

May 1 – First Communion

2nd Grade-First Communion

First Communion is scheduled for May 1st at 1 PM. Reminder the only places that are saved in Church are the pews for the First Communicants and their parents. All other pews are for family and friends and are on a first come first get basis.

Girls attire: White dresses, white shoes. Tights are optional. Vails are optional as well. Please no gloves.

Boys attire: White long sleeve shirts, black or dark pants, dress shoes and tie.

Pictures will be after Mass so please do not leave until the group picture is done. Attached in this letter is the order form for

pictures. Please return these forms to me at PRE with payments and order and I will get them to Sue.

The group picture is with every student that made their First Communion. The individual picture is when your child is receiving the Body of Jesus for the first time.

Parents and 2nd Graders will meet in the Church basement and then we will process upstairs when Mass starts, so please be to Church by 12:45 PM.

Any other questions, please let me know.



If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it produces much more. Just like Jesus did for us.



JC Camp

JC Camp is scheduled for July 27-July 31. Students will need to find their ride there and ride home. I encourage families to car pool down there but I highly encourage parents to pick up your child on Sunday.

If those days do not work, in the paperwork there will be alternating dates for other area town's camps.

If you got a form with this letter, you have a child that is in 7th Grade who needs to attend in order to be Confirmed in the upcoming year.

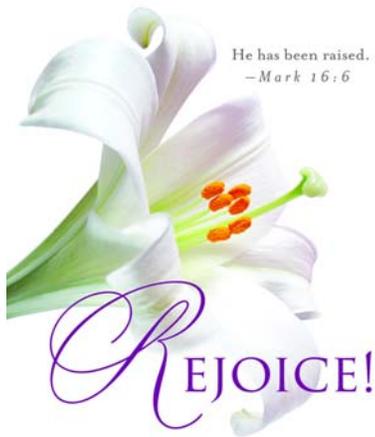
Some of you have children who have been Confirmed, watch the mail as I will be mailing out JC Counselors forms for your child to fill

out and send back. Younger kids look up to these older kids when they see them at these events. We are not perfect so when others see that we have struggles in our lives, it is easier for us to relate to them and open up to know that Jesus helps us through these difficult times we face.



Let your faith bloom so all can see.

EASTER



I hope this year on Easter morning you have a chance to experience the joy of seeing Jesus' Resurrection first hand. I know you are thinking right now, that is kind of weird. Now let's stop and think about this. Jesus died because of our sins. He was not afraid to die, Jesus knew that He was called by God, for each one of us. With His Resurrection it is a new beginning in our life. Try and start a new by forgiving someone that you have not seen or talked to for a while. Before judging someone, put yourself in their shoes and maybe the reason why they do things they do makes sense to them. Take ten minutes out every day to thank God for your good health, for your family, a safe travel to and from work, the food that you are able to provide for your family and the list could go on and on. Without God in our lives, none of this is possible. Take the time to realize that all our gifts, whether big or small, are gifts from God.

When you see flowers blooming, trees budding, grass turning green, baby animals being born, robins singing in trees—think of Jesus coming into our lives new. So let us start this part of our lives anew.

It's never to late to start fresh with God. Remember that Jesus told His followers it is never to late to turn back to God, open your hearts and hear the work of God.

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