

St. Francis PRE

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PRAYERS

Hopefully as you are reading this newsletter, you will also see in the envelope a copy of how your child is coming on their prayers. Time has kind of gotten away from me but I am trying to stay on track and keep my promise when I say I will be testing out your children three times in this PRE year.

I have been seeing some teachers are beginning or ending their class with a prayer so they are trying to help out some. Just a reminder, you as their parent when you baptized your child, vowed you would be the first teachers of their Catholic faith. This is one of the steps on fulfilling this. Going to Mass on a regular basis is another way.

I try and tell the older kids, that I start making certain prayers required at different grades as it would be horrible to make all the prayer required during Confirmation year. I would not do that as that would not be nice. So that is why I spread the

prayers out. If your child does not know them when it is Confirmation time, they cannot get Confirmed.

Confirmation is a whole other topic so I will not get into that but just want you to be aware that learning their prayers is not a bad thing. You need to know them for Church you might as well know them to pray to God.

If you need prayer cards so you know what each prayer is, please text me and I will make sure I send a prayer card ring home with your child.

If you are missing one of your kids' prayer sheet, it is because they were sick and I will get them next week. Thank you parents for working with your child.

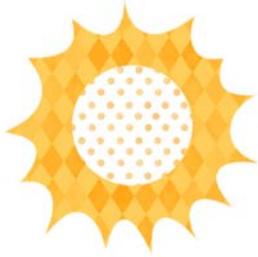


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ALTAR SERVERS



You are my sunshine, my favorite sunshine. You make me happy when skies are gray.

I know I have said this before, but I can not seem to say it enough, if your child is scheduled on the altar server list and you do not wish for him or her to serve on weekend Masses, I ask you to PLEASE contact the parish office at (402) 923-0913 to take them off the list. Nothing is more frustrating for the priest as to when they have to go to the podium and announce that they are short altar servers.

Before you jump on the bus to get your child off the server list, please keep this in mind. Jesus has stated in the bible that we all should give of our time, talent and treasure. If we let our children serve in church they are giving of their time and talents. If we continue to have our children active in the church this will carry them throughout their years of their adulthood.

I'm not forcing you to keep your child serving but it would not hurt to keep them

on the list until they get Confirmed. Confirmation is when we say "Yes" to God and the Archbishop that we will continue being active in church. Please plant the seed while they are young.

If your child is down to serve and you have other plans, please call for a sub. That is only fair for everyone involved.

Also Fr. Pat will be training new servers here soon so if you want your child to serve, please contact me. I will be sending a paper home also for you to complete.

Church Website

If you have missed placed this newsletter or any newsletter, you may visit the church website as each and every month's newsletter is uploaded for all to read. Please bookmark the website and refer to it as needed so you know what is going on at PRE.

SPEAKERS

I want to let all parents know what the kids in grades 5-9 have been experiencing at PRE this year.

Back in November, we walked to the local

Funeral Home. We got to see first hand what is involved with planning a funeral. No one wants to ever be in the shoes with planning someone's

funeral let alone having someone plan ours. Kids had lots a questions.

Then in December, I invited in Kyle Anderson from Columbus to come talk. He is a young gentleman that is in remission with his Cancer.

Confirmation

Confirmation is going to be here before we know it. We still do not have a date but once I get one, you will be the first to know.

Just a reminder of a couple of reminders coming up. February 1, I will need the name and address of the sponsor your child has picked. March 1, the report

on why they picked their sponsor is due.

I have been telling the Confrimondies that as they get the hours done or the reports done, they should hand them in. I have a folder for each student and I keep all their paperwork in one spot.

The last thing I want is for September to come and your Confrimondie has a lot to complete and very little time

to get it done.

If you child does not complete these reports or hours, they will not be able to be Confirmed. Please talk to me if you have questions or do not know when something is due or what your child has left for hours.

I want every Child to be Confirmed but since they are becoming ADULTS in the church, they have deadlines.



Everything is a gift from GOD.

2018-2019 Yearly Schedule

~~Sept 5 — 1st night of class~~

~~Sept 12 — Class~~

~~Sept 16 — Rolls and coffee~~

~~Sept 19 — Class~~

~~Sept 26 — Class~~

~~Oct 3 — Mass (come join us)~~

~~Oct 7 — Bazaar~~

~~Oct 10 — Class~~

~~Oct 17 — Class~~

~~Oct 24 — Class~~

~~Oct 31 — No Class~~

~~Nov 7 — Class~~

~~Nov 14 — Class~~

~~Nov 21 — Happy Thanksgiving~~

~~NO PRE~~

~~Nov 25 — Speaker in Norfolk for Grades
8-12~~

~~Nov 28 — Class~~

~~Dec 5 — Confessions~~

~~Dec 12 — Christmas movie~~

~~Dec 19 — Class~~

~~Dec 25 — Merry Christmas~~

~~Dec 26 — NO PRE~~

~~January 1 — Happy New Year~~

~~January 2 — No PRE~~

~~January 9 — Class~~

~~January 16 — Class~~

~~January 23 — Class~~

~~January 30 — Class~~

February 6 — Class

February 13 — Class

February 16 — First Reconciliation/First
Communion Retreat

February 20 — Class

February 27 — Class

March 6 — Ash Wednesday

March 13 — Mass

March 20 — Mass

March 23 — First Reconciliation

March 27 — Mass

April 3 — Mass

April 10 — Mass

April 17 — NO PRE

April 21 — Easter

April 24 — Last night of PRE

May 5 — First Communion

ROLLS AND COFFEE



**Come to the Lords
table of plenty.**

**Plenty of forgiveness
and love that is.**

The next date for rolls and coffee is February 17. Rolls and coffee will be served after both the 8 AM and 10 AM Mass. The following names are the families that were not down in September to bring rolls. I also will ask you to pick a time for your family to work. The times are 8:30 AM-10 AM or 10 AM-11:30 AM. I ask that both the student and parents work. There is plenty for all of us to do. I just please ask that everyone show up to help me out. ***If you have a Confirmation

student, great hours for parish or community.***

Each family is asked to bring two dozen rolls or donuts. I ask that they are at the church basement at the start of your shift-that you pick to help work at. Only reason is, it is hard for me to plan accordingly to what I can or cannot sale if everyone brings at 10AM.

Please text me with the time you would like to work and I will make sure I have enough at each shift.

Thanks in advance!!

Families are:

- ◆ Melissa Gronenthal
- ◆ John Keller
- ◆ Andrew Offner
- ◆ Mikala Phillips
- ◆ Melissa Preister
- ◆ Jaci Sander
- ◆ Carl Schneider
- ◆ Jamie Sherman
- ◆ Greg Sjuts
- ◆ Sandy Stankoski
- ◆ Terry Wemhoff
- ◆ Curtis Klug
- ◆ Shelli Johnson
- ◆ Mike Magsamen

Christian



Has anyone ever ask you why you're a Catholic? Maybe you really don't even know why you are Catholic. Is it because that is what your parents baptized you and raised you as? So that is what you are going to raise your child as, so you keep your parents happy?

Why does everything we do have to make so many people happy?

Not that being Catholic is bad because it is not. I have heard a lot of Professors and Doctrines state in studies that kids have a better chance at continuing their faith as a Catholic if their parents are good practicing Christian.

We are going over the Holy Days of Obligation with the older kids and that it is a sin if they don't attend Mass on one of those days and they are suppose to attend confession before they receive communion if one of the Holy Day Mass are missed. I know only a very few abide by this, but it is a sin according to God.

It is hard to get up on Sunday morning when sleeping in sounds 110% better, but Jesus fasted in the desert for 40 days and 40 nights for us, not for Himself but for us.

So all I ask from parents or guardians is this Lenten season, try and set better

examples to your children in the way of Catholic values and what is expected from us. If you are not sure, I would encourage you to attend one of the RCIA classes when the church offers them. It's not for different faiths that want to be Catholic, it is also for us who may have a few questions about our faith or want a few questions to clarify a gray area on what we believe so we can bring our children up in the way to follow Christ.

So many kids don't continue with their faith after they leave high school. But with supportive parents and good values instilled in them, they will go far.