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Prayers

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I have to apologize, I wanted to test the kids out on their prayers before we left for Christmas break but time got away from me but I will be getting testing done in January. Please view at the end of this section of the newsletter on what prayers you child to know. If you have any questions for me, please reach out to me so we can be on the same page of communication.

I want to remind everyone that our time is limited at PRE, so for teachers to get in all the lessons covered that does not leave us much time to review prayers. So I ask each family to help their child practice their prayers at home.

When our children were baptized we, their parents, said before God, that we would be the primary teachers of our children in their faith.

We did not vow that we would let the school system and the religious program that we send our children to, raise and dictate the values we want instilled in our child. I know we are busy and it is hard to get it all in during the night with home work and baths and meals. Here is an option: say them while in the tub or while driving home from school. Just a few ways to improvise.

For Kindergarten-1st grade it is the prayers on red paper.

2nd Grade: prayers on the orange papers

3rd—4th Grade: yellow papers

5th—6th Grade: green papers

7th—Confirmation: blue papers.

I know I say this time and time again, have your child pick one prayer and work on it every night, by three weeks they will have it known. I ask that you encourage your child to say their prayers nightly.

If your child knows the prayers for their grade, they are more than welcome to start learning the next year's prayers.

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Christmas Children's Mass

I want to thank the PRE kids that took time out of their busy day to practice to sing for the 5 PM Children's Mass on Christmas Eve.

Everyone sounded great and looked very nice.

If your child missed out

this year and would like to do it next year, please watch the newsletter as I will have all information in there on when, where and who is invited to participate.



Are we happy with what God has given us??

New Year

Half Over

I cannot believe I am writing to you and in two days will be January 1.

I hope everyone had a Blessed Christmas and remembered to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

Looking back to a few years back, my husband and I lost a good friend a few days be-



Wonder if I send a message
to Heaven would my loved
one receive it.

fore Christmas. I was sad to lose him but yet was happy that he was going to spend Christmas with Jesus. What a great gift.

That should help us to realize that life is not guaranteed and we do not know when our "hour glass" will run out. Have we told everyone we love them or we forgive them? Have we thanked God for all

our many gifts that we may take for granted? Your sight, your health, your kids, their health and the list can go on.

I take a lot of days and a lot of things for granted but sometimes it just takes a simple 30 second prayer to God to thank him for all he has given us. Yes, sometimes not all things we have been dealt are good but those "hills" make us a stronger person and make us who we are.

May you have kept Jesus in your heart this year as he is the Reason for the Season.

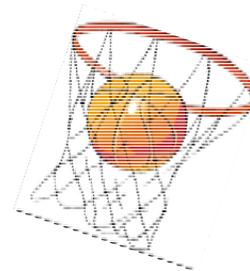
Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest

Knights of Columbus are going to have the Free Throw Contest on January 12 at the St. Francis High School gym. This is open to students ages 9-14 with the exception that if you are on the high school team you are not eligible. This begins at 12 noon with registration (and one parent must be there to sign the form) and the shooting competition starts at 12:30 PM.

I think it is neat that our town can host this event and it is important that we support events like this. This contest costs parents nothing to have their kids come and try their talents on shooting a free throw.

If your child wins their age division they get to move on to the next round. If you cannot make that date, the

person that got runner up can fill in. It is great to send youngsters from our area.



Catholic Daughters Contest

Again this year, the Catholic Daughters are having an essay or art contest. This is open to all PRE and St. Francis School students in grades 4-8. The theme for this contest is — still being determined. Kids can do either the essay or an art project. The guidelines and rules are all on the paper that will be coming home soon. The deadline to have them to me is January 30.

I will then turn them all in to the Catholic Daughters by their deadline. Please encourage your child to put some thought and heart into this as they can get a reward if they place 1st, 2nd or 3rd.

I have made it **mandatory** for all kids in the appropriate grades to complete either an essay or art project.

Please complete and attach page 2

to the back of all entry forms.

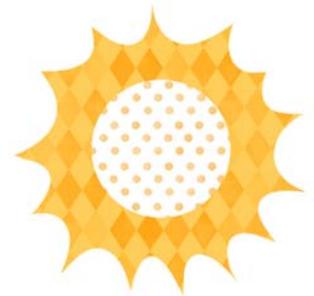
If you have any questions about this, please call me.

Why must we get mad at God when He does not give us what we asked for. Remember He hears our pleas but gives us what we need.

2018-2019 YEARLY SCHEDULE

~~September 5 — 1st night of class~~
~~September 12 — Class~~
~~September 16 — Rolls and coffee~~
~~September 19 — Class~~
~~September 26 — Class~~
~~October 3 — Mass (come join us)~~
~~October 7 — Bazaar~~
~~October 10 — Class~~
~~October 17 — Class~~
~~October 24 — Class~~
~~October 31 — No Class~~
~~November 7 — Class~~
~~November 14 — Class~~
~~November 21 — Happy Thanksgiving~~
~~NO PRE~~
~~November 25 — Speaker in Norfolk for~~
~~Grades 8-12~~
~~November 28 — Class~~
~~December 5 — Confessions~~
~~December 12 — Christmas movie~~
~~December 19 — Class~~
~~December 25 — Merry Christmas~~
~~December 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 20 — Class
 February 27 — Class
 March 6 — Ash Wednesday
 March 13 — Mass
 March 20 — Mass
 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



You are my sunshine, my only
 sunshine. You make me happy
 when skies are grey.

