

November 2023

Halloween

Halloween to many is a night where you dress your child/ren up and you go around to familiar homes to collect candy or goodies. The outfits you pick up out for your child/ren are usually what is most popular or what is cute on them. A few nights are spent to find out what you want each child to wear or how to locate that outfit that they kids want to be.

Most of us might forget about how Halloween actually came about. Halloween means Hallow's Eve. This is the night before All Saints Day and All Saints Day is one of the Holy Days of Obligations so we need to make sure we are attending Mass.

When we baptized our children, we pledged before God that we would bring them up in the Catholic Faith. That starts with attending Mass every weekend and all Holy Days. With this, PRE will be attending Mass on Wednesday night as a group. We hope to see you there as well.

I would ask you this, does Jesus state he does not have time for you? Does Jesus state that he has to go to this volleyball game to watch over a child of a mom that prays everyday vs listening to your needs? Does Jesus state he cannot listen to your prayers cause he has to clean his house or he just does not feel like it tonight?

No, Jesus does not put anything above us. We are the reason He exist. He is waiting for us to talk or pray to him, He would never tell anyone that something is more important then us. So how come we can put items ahead of attending mass. Jesus has invited us to His house to celebrate with Him.

Wednesday night I ask that you child be dropped off at school at 6:30pm. We will walk over to church together so we can sit as a class. After Mass is over, I will dismiss your child with you so if you will wait in the pew for them and we will find you as we walk to the back of church.

Thanksgiving

With Thanksgiving right around the corner we need to remember the true meaning of Thanksgiving. This is the time we get together with family to eat and make memories. Yes make memories with the people that mean the most to us. If you don't get together with family, then think of why you get together with your friends. Are these the people you

consider your family? Are these people that you are happy being around?

The first settlers had a meal to give thanks for all their blessings. Are you doing that? Are you taking time to thank God for the blessings He has given you? Are you thanking Him for your health, your family, your safe travels and the list could go on and on.

I believe sometimes we take our health and wealth for granted but this is all gifts from God. None of us are millionaires but none of us are in poverty state either (meaning you do not have a roof over your head or meals to eat). Jesus has given us all the items and we need to give him thanks.

Have a blessed Thanksgiving.

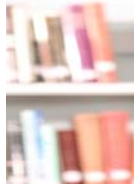
Special points of interest:

- > November 1st is a holy day.
- > Have you looked outside to see God's beauty?
- > When was the last time you forgave an enemy?
- > Are you setting an example you want your kids to follow?

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What was the last book you read? Try listening to a couple stories on the Bible.



Would a stranger know you are a Christian by your Love?



Don't think of Jesus as old and outdated, but look at him as the best in Technology.

Prayers

I know I stated in my opening newsletter that I would be testing the kids on their prayers three times a year. I will start testing in November with the help of some helpers.

I will give you the break out of the prayers that are needed to know per class. If you need the prayer cards, let me know, I have a few extras.

Kind-1st Grade:

Glory Be

Our Father

Hail Mary

Guardian Angel

2nd Grade:

Act of Contrition

10 Commandments

7 Sacraments

3rd -4th Grade:

Meal Prayers

Order of Mass

Rosary/Mysteries

Stations of the Cross

Apostles Creed

5th-6th Grade:

Nicene Creed

Holy Days of Obligation

Hail Holy Queen

Confirmation:

They have the list

One thing I will recommend is that you find a time to have your child say the prayer that they are struggling with.

I heard when my kids were younger that the best time to say the prayer your child does not know is before bedtime. We all go to bed every night so why not take an extra 2 minutes to say your prayer. If that does not work, I would suggest to say it while they are brushing their teeth. There are several opportunities that you can find during your day that will allow you and/or your child to say their prayers and learn them. If you are traveling to a game, say it on the way there and/or the way home. The times you can study your child's prayer are endless.

Servers

I ask that each family think about if they would like their child to serve during Mass. Now this can be serving at PRE Masses or weekend Masses. I will be texting all families that have a child that qualifies to ask if this is something you would like for your child to do. If you would or would not like your child to serve, please let me know. This will give me an idea to let Fr. Stan and Fr. Matt know how many kids are interested in serving. This will give them a better understanding if they can do the training on what day and what time.

2021-2022 Yearly Schedule

~~Sept 6 – First night of class~~

~~Sept 10 – Confirmation retreat in Tarnov at Noon~~

~~Sept 18 – Class~~

~~Sept 20 – Class~~

~~Sept 27 – Class~~

~~Oct 1 – Bazaar~~

~~Oct 4 – Mass~~

~~Oct 11 – Class~~

~~Oct 18 – Class~~

~~Oct 22 – Confirmation~~

Oct 25 – Class

Nov 1 – Holy Day (Mass)

Nov 8 – Class

Nov 15 – Class

Nov 22 – No Class HAPPY TURKEY DAY

Nov 29 – Class/First Reconciliation Parent meeting @
7pm in Humphrey TENTATIVE

Dec 6 – Class/Confessions

Dec 9 – First Reconciliation 1pm

Dec 13 – Class/Christmas Party

Dec 20 – Class

Dec 25 – Merry Christmas

Dec 27 – No Class

Jan 1 – HAPPY NEW YEAR

Jan 3 – No Class

Jan 10 – Class

Jan 17 – Class

Jan 20 – First Reconciliation (time to
be determined)

Jan 24 – Class

Jan 31 – Class

Feb 7 – Class/First Communion Parent
meeting @7pm in Humphrey

Feb 14 – Ash Wednesday

Feb 21 – Class

Feb 28 – Class

March 6 – Class

March 13 – Class

March 20 – Class

March 27 – Easter Break – No Class

March 31 – Easter

April 3 – Class

April 10 – Class

April 14 – Class

April 17 – Class

April 21 – First Communion at 1pm

April 24 – Class/Last night of class



Make a meeting with Jesus.

**If you forget where
you miss placed the
PRE Newsletter, find
it on the St. Francis
website.**



CONFIRMATION



Do you have an appointment with Jesus. I might be time.

I want to congratulate the five 8th Graders who made their Confirmation on October 22. What a wonderful blessing this is to be welcomed into the church. If you see these kids out and about, please congratulate them and let them know you will be praying for them so the Holy Spirit continues to work in them so they continue growing in their Faith.



GIFTSTER

I have attached another couple sheets of paper and I was not thinking that the link in the last email would not take you to where it should have. So you will see how to go on the website to see if you are willing to donate to any part of St. Francis School, church or PRE.

This attachment gives you step by step to see what each area is asking for and what is in need. When you get logged in, you can search my name to see what PRE is looking for.

Let me know if you have any questions on this. You can pass this on to family members that are interested in purchasing something for church or school.



What is Jesus trying to say to us?? Let's read about it.

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