



Family Newsletter

St. Paul the Apostle Religious Education Program
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February 6, 2012

Dear REP Families,

Peace and every good!

As I look at the calendar I would like to ask that on the following dates you say a little prayer.

February 11 – Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes – World Day of Prayer for the Sick

February 14 - As you celebrate Valentine’s Day pray “Heart of Jesus, burning with love for us, inflame our hearts with love for You!”

February 22 – Presidents’ Day – Pray that our president will be open to the Holy Spirit’s guidance and that he will lead our country with holy wisdom and justice.

February 2012

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Confirmation 2013: Tonight in Church at 7:15 our 7th graders and at least one parent will be meeting to discuss requirements for Confirmation 2013. If you missed this meeting, call right away to sign-up for the Thursday, 7 PM meeting in A-4. Please bring the Information Form you received in the mail and \$35 Confirmation fee to the meeting. See you Saturday at the 4:30 Mass for the Commissioning.

FLAG: If you haven’t sent in your registration paper for our **FLAG** session to be held February 12 or 13, you are receiving another one. PLEASE call us to register. Enter through the Parish Center and then proceed to the basement school for lunch/supper. Note below about bring non-perishable food items.



You will be able to choose TWO breakout sessions. Pick up tickets in the foyer when you pick up your “home kit” bag.

Grades K –	What Do Pretzels Have to Do With Lent?
Grades K - 3	Stations of the Cross – Learn about and make your own Stations of the Cross
Grades K – 3	Helping Hands for Lent - An activity that will make you use your hands during Lent.
Grades K – 3	Journey through Holy Week
Grades 4 – 8	Gear up for a Lenten Jeopardy Game
Grades 4 – 8	A Lenten and Everyday Practice – Make People Smile
Grades 6 – 8	Search Through the Bible for Symbols of Lent Are you Fast, Faster, or Fastest in Finding? BRING YOUR BIBLE
Grades 6 - 8	The Ancient Roots of Lent with Fr. Greg in Church
ALL -Music –	Lenten Hymns with Ray Kaufman in Church

Getting a Head Start on Lenten Almsgiving/Sacrifice: Instead of doing our collection of food for needy people during November we decided to connect it with our **FLAG** program.



Families are asked to bring to **FLAG** some non-perishable food items for the St. John the Baptist food pantry. Boxes will be in the foyer of the Activity Center for your donations. At **FLAG** students will also be receiving the box for Operation Rice Bowl.

Ash Wednesday February 22: You are encouraged to begin Lent by attending Mass and receiving the blessed ashes. Mass times here at St. Paul's 6:30 & 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM.



Seventh Grade Parents: This year's Confirmation will be on Thursday evening, April 19. **Seventh Grade parents and students host the reception following Confirmation. If any parent can help with this reception, please call me. Seventh graders can get service hours for making cookies and/or serving. They will receive a permission form at the Confirmation meeting February 6.**



Totus Tuus - June 17-22: Mark your calendars for another fun week of faith formation – our new Vacation Bible School program. Open to Grades One to Six, 9:00 – 2:30 PM, Monday to Friday and Junior & Senior High School students, 7:00 – 9:00 PM, Sunday to Thursday. Registration will begin in March.

Coming Events:

- Feb. 11 Saturday 4:30 Mass Commissioning of 2013 Confirmation Candidates (Mandatory)
- Feb. 12 **or** 13 **FLAG**
- Feb. 20 **No REP class** - Presidents' Day
- Feb. 27 REP classes resume
- Mar. 5 **No REP class** (Pulaski Day)
- Mar.12 REP class, 5:45 - 7 PM
- 2013 Confirmation Essay #2 due (7th Graders)
- Mar.19 REP class, 5:45 – 7 PM
- Practice for Children's Choir, 5 – 5:40 PM, Church
- Mar.26 REP class, 5:45 - 7 PM
- Apr. 2 **No REP class** - Spring Break
- Apr. 9 **No REP class** – Easter Monday
- Apr. 16 REP class, 5:45 – 7 PM
- Apr. 17 Confirmation 2012 Practice, 7 PM
- Apr. 19 Confirmation 2012, 7 PM



If you have questions, concerns, suggestions, or even good comments, please pass them on. We are always looking for ways to improve the program!

God bless you,
Sister Karen Marie