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(Parent/Student Reminders)



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Registration Time

Enclosed with this newsletter there should be a registration form for next year. Now is a good time to fill it out and send it in. That will give you the best control over what day and time your child attends PSR. It will also help keep you from losing the form or forgetting whether or not you have registered.

You will note that there has been no change in PSR fees for the coming year. We are trying very hard to keep costs down in these shaky economic times. One way we do that is by relying on our volunteers parents—please consider helping as much as you can!

Let us know if your newsletter did not have a registration form with it and we'll send you one. There will also be forms available in the church under the picture of the Parish Council.

Summer Masses

While the children are out of school, we are looking for 12 families to volunteer on a **weekly basis** to provide lector or lectors to read the first reading and responsorial psalm at the 8:45 a.m. Mass. The Masses during the summer months are held in the Little Church. If you are interested in this opportunity &/or wish to receive additional details, please contact Denice Rausch at 314-409-8118 or by email at denice714c@scbglobal.net.

Vacation Mass locations and times are available at the website masstimes.org. sponsored by USCCB. Don't let your vacation be a vacation from Jesus!

NEXT YEAR'S VOLUNTEER NEEDS

Our program runs largely on volunteer power, so we would like to remind you that you should carefully consider what type of volunteer job would suit you best when you fill out the registration form.

Those parents who teach PSR classes will be compensated by **waiver of tuition and materials fees for their children**, plus catechists will receive an **additional stipend** from the parish.

The other volunteer opportunities require a much smaller time commitment but are nonetheless vital to the success of our program, so please allow what time you can to help us! We need an office person during each PSR session to act as a receptionist/secretary/nurse/whatever-is-needed person. We need classroom assistants—particularly for our younger students and for helping our students with special needs. We need retreat assistants at our 7th and 8th grade retreats to act as small group advisors. We need volunteers to help get our newsletters into the mail. We need room parents to help the catechist with special plans and emergencies. We need hospitality volunteers to help with celebrations, the Fall Festival, ACA, and other PSR parish involvements. Some years we need baby sitters while parents are at meetings or for Monday catechists who have young children.

And please plan to visit each of your children's classes at least once next year just to keep up with what's going on!

Please help us keep our little ones safe...

Many children experience anxiety when their parent in is not there to pick them up when class is ended:

- ◆ *Pick up your carpool promptly after classes so that no one is left behind.*
- ◆ *Be patient with pedestrians and other drivers.*
- ◆ *Be on the watch for children on foot.*
- ◆ *Observe the direction of traffic and stay with it.*
- ◆ *Do not ask your child to walk through traffic to enter your car.*
- ◆ *Wait your turn if you are in line.*
- ◆ *Do not block the drop off line by getting out of your car while it is in the drop off or pick up line—keep things moving.*
- ◆ *If you see a youngster being unsafe speak to him or her about it—these are all our children and our responsibility.*

April /May Calendar

April Feasts & Memorials

April 4	No Class—Easter Sunday	April 1—Holy Thursday	2—Good Friday (St. Francis of Paola)	3—Holy Saturday (St. Isidore)
5	Regular Class Meetings			
11-12	Regular Class Meetings	4—Resurrection of the Lord	7—St. John Baptist de la Salle	13—St. Martin I
18-19	Regular Class Meetings			
25-26	Regular Class Meetings	16—St. Bernadette	21—St. Anselm	23—St. George St. Adelbert
30	First Eucharist Practice 4:45– 5:45 p.m.	24—St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen	25—St. Mark the Evangelist	28—St. Louis Mary de Montfort, St. Gemma Beretta Molla
May 1	Confirmation at the Cathedral Basilica 10 a.m.			
2-3	Regular Classes—8th grade excused	29—St. Catherine of Sienna	30—St. Pius V	May 1—St. Joseph the Worker
7	First Eucharist Practice 4:45– 5:45 p.m.	2—St. Athanasius	3—Sts. Philip and James	8—St. John the Theologian
8	First Eucharist 10:30 a.m.	10—Bl. Damien of Molokai	12—Sts. Nerus and Achilleus, St. Pancras	13—Ascension (Solemnity the 16th) Our Lady of Fatima
9	Mother's Day—no class			
10	Last Monday class Final Report Cards sent home—Rosary	14—St. Matthias	15—St. Isodore the Farmer	18—St. John 1
16	Last Sunday class Final Report Cards sent home—Rosary			
By special arrangement	Summer School for students with incomplete preparation.			



Summer Activities

If you know a youngster who has not been attending PSR classes but would like to attend at his or her grade level in the fall please call the PSR Office and we will work to help make that happen by doing some catch up studying . These summer sessions are also available for current students who have not completed their PSR work for this year. Please call the office and we will make arrangements trying as best we can to accommodate your schedule.

Also, don't forget to register to work or to attend Bible Camp (or both). The dates are June 7th through 11th. Contact Paula Prost 636-532-5719. peprost@charter.net



"Do I have to give thanks for all the spinach or just the bite I'm going to eat?"