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St. Charles Borromeo Religious Formation Family Newsletter

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Information regarding Religious Formation can be found on the parish website at www.stcharlesomaha.org

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Upcoming Dates:

Dec 2	First Reconciliation
Dec 6 & 7	No Class
Dec 13 & 14	Class
Dec 20 & 21	Class
Dec 27 & 28	No Class



Our Mission Statement

To be Christ for one another living the command of Jesus: "As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how we all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." - John 13:34b, 35 (New American Bible)

First Reconciliation Information

First Reconciliation Services

Friday, December 2, 2016

5:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

A cake and punch reception will follow in the gym.

RECONCILIATION

As the Advent Season is upon us we, as Catholics focus on preparing our hearts and souls for the coming of Christ. One way to do this is by receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

At some point over the next couple of weeks during Religious Formation class, children in grades 3-8 will attend a Reconciliation Service. If your child misses this opportunity they can do so outside of class time.

Reconciliation times at St. Charles Borromeo for the remainder of Advent are as follows:

December 3, 10, and 17 3:00-4:30 p.m.
 December 17 9:00-10:00 a.m.
 December 21, 22, and 23 6:00-7:00 p.m.
 Every Tuesday-Friday 11:40-11:55 a.m.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GOOD DISCIPLES

Aubrey Heien
 Sidney Caniglia
 Ella Peters
 Rogan Thompson
 Amina Schuler
 Adison Marquardt
 Zach Maroon



There will be no regular classes on December 6/7. In lieu of class all children are asked to attend Mass with their family to celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, which is a holy day of obligation. There will be a sign-in sheet in the narthex to take attendance. Mass times at St. Charles are Wednesday, December 7 at 6:00 p.m. and Thursday, December 8 at 7:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m.



Happy Advent! We would love to see how your family celebrates Advent. Post your pictures to our Facebook and/or Twitter pages (StCharles RF) or send pictures of your traditions to jschuler@scbcomaha.org.

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION

1st and 2nd year prep

Saint reflections are due at class the week of December 13-14. Students have received a rubric/checklist for these to make sure they have addressed all aspects of this assignment. Please go over this assignment with your child to make sure they have met all these requirements.

Please check the 1st and 2nd year service logs on the confirmation website to make sure your child is up to date on assignments. If you have questions about this or would like me to resend your child's number, please email me at slinneran@scbccomaha.org

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

If your child is interested in participating in the Christmas Children's Choir please contact Judy Ashmore at 402-502-2454.

Practices will be held Saturdays from 9-10:00 a.m. on December 3, 10, and 17. The children will be singing at the 6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass.

TRAFFIC REMINDERS

As the weather gets colder please remember to pull all the way forward to the traffic volunteer to allow the maximum number of vehicles to load at one time. Also please be sure children are dressed appropriately to stand outside while they wait to be picked up.

All students must exit the building through the gym unless accompanied by an adult. If you choose to park to pick them up outside you must cross the drive to get them. We need to avoid children crossing any spots of traffic, especially now that it is dark as classes dismiss. Thank you for your help with keeping all of our children safe.

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TRAVELING VOCATIONS CRUCIFIX

Each week, the Vocations Crucifix is given to a family at one of the Sunday Masses. This family then takes it home and prays that week for vocations. The crucifix is then brought back to Mass the following weekend to be passed on to another family. If your family is interested in participating please contact the parish office.



During class we have been sharing with the children that Advent is a time to prepare our hearts for Jesus' coming. The children have been asked to come up with at least one good deed per week that they will perform in preparation for His return. The children are writing their good deeds on "hay" during class and lining the manger with their kind acts. This manger is located in the narthex. Make sure to stop by to see the many acts of kindness the children in our parish have been performing.