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St. Charles Borromeo Religious Formation Family Newsletter

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Upcoming Dates:

Dec 27 & 28	No Class
Jan 3 & 4	No Class
Jan 10 & 11	Class
Jan 14	1 st Communion Parent Meeting 9:00 a.m.
Jan 17 & 18	Class

**CONGRATULATIONS
TO OUR
GOOD DISCIPLES**

Sydney Simmons



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)



There will be no Religious Formation classes for the next two weeks. Classes will resume January 10/11. We here at the Religious Formation Department would like to wish you and your families a very merry and blessed Christmas season!



Help is needed to help decorate the church for Christmas. Volunteers should be 7th grade and older. This would be a fun way to fulfill some of your parish Confirmation service hours!

Thursday, December 22
9:30 a.m.



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.

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION



SAVE THE DATES

1st year confirmation prep will be having their MANDATORY retreat on February 11 from 9am - noon in the gym at St. Charles. Sponsors are not needed for this event

2nd year confirmation prep will be having their MANDATORY retreat on February 25 from 9am-noon in the Gym at St. Charles. Sponsors are not needed for this event.

If you would like to volunteer to chaperone this event please email me at sfinneran@scbccomaha.org

Merry Christmas confirmation prep families!!

CATECHIST APPRECIATION LUNCHEON DONATIONS

We are holding our annual Catechist Appreciation luncheon to show our teachers how much they are appreciated. If you are interested in helping or donating any items for the luncheon please sign up here:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b45adaf23abf94-stcharles>

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Weather / Text Messages

It is that time of year where the weather can be unpredictable. As a rule, if Millard Public Schools are canceled for the day or if they cancel evening activities, we will **NOT** have class. However, the Religious Formation Department may need to cancel classes at the last minute. If you would like to receive a message on your cell phone when classes are cancelled, please log onto the following website to sign up for this free service.

https://www.rainedout.net/team_page.php?a=0f2e244629d2feda8401

You will just need to enter in your 10 digit cell phone number or email address and you will receive an immediate response with your validation code. Once you have entered this code, you will be registered. As long as your cell phone number or email address remains the same, you will continue to receive message from our Religious Formation program whenever classes are cancelled due to weather. If, at any time, you wish to discontinue this service, simply go to the website and click on "Opt Out".

An email will also go out to notify parents of cancellations.