

St. Charles Borromeo Religious Formation Family Newsletter

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Upcoming Dates:

Sep 26 & 27	Class
Oct 1	Parish Festival
Oct 3 & 4	Class
Oct 10 & 11	Class
Oct 17 & 18	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)



OCTOBER 1, 2017
12:00-6:00 P.M.

We are still looking for volunteers to help with the games and especially inflatables. Please visit this site to sign up for a shift (or two).
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a094ba9a82aa31-2017>

The Religious Formation Program is also holding a contest for donations of 2-lt bottles of soda. The class to bring in the most bottles will choose a dress up night for all of our classes.

We are also looking for donations of bags of individually wrapped candy (no nuts please). Donations can be brought to class or dropped off in the narthex.

STEWARDSHIP CARDS

Last week a stewardship card sheet was sent home with your child. In class they discussed how everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God and that we should use those gifts to love and serve Him. Each card has a space for them to write what they are going to do/give God this week. This can be a donation they are giving, something they are doing for someone else, or a way they are sharing their talents with others for God. They should cut these sheets into six pieces and **return one card each weekend to Mass**. Please have them put their name and date on the card and drop it in the collection basket during Mass. If they forget to bring their card extras will be available on the small round table in the narthex. If your family attends Mass at another Catholic Church please have your child drop this card in the offertory basket at that church.



Fr. Jeff is now on YouTube! Each week he will be sharing a brief clip on what to watch for at Mass, as well as other fun information. Subscribe today so you don't miss out on any of the fun!

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5wRM9cN2Je2Q66g06kqUlw>

PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST



Pumpkin decorators of all ages please enter the Fall Festival Pumpkin Decorating Contest.

- Last chance to buy pumpkins will be this weekend - September 23/24 after Mass Saturday night or Sunday morning.
- Decorate however you want.
- Return before RF classes September 25/26 or Thursday, 27th or Friday, 28th between 4:00 and 6:00pm to the grassy area outside of the main church doors.
 - Be sure to write your name and grade on the bottom or back of the pumpkin
- Pumpkins will be judged and ribbons awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place
Grades K-2nd Grades 3-5th
Grades 6-8th Open class – all ages
- Pumpkins will be displayed at the Fall Festival and are to be picked up between 4-6pm the day of the Festival.
- Questions – contact Jake LaRue, jake.larue55@gmail.com or Jlarue@valmont.com or (402) 312-9387.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS



September 23rd/24th will be the next SVdP collection for the Food Pantry. In August, there were 1,189 families who selected food items at the pantry. They continue to need bags of rice and beans, cereal, cans of fruit and meat. Thank you for your continuing generosity and support of this Corporal Work of Mercy.

SACRAMENT CLASS BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATES NEEDED

All baptismal certificates need to be turned in to the office no later than October 1 for **children receiving their First Reconciliation and for Confirmation students in their 2nd year of preparation.** These can be dropped in the office, faxed to 402-916-9740 or mailed to the office at St. Charles Borromeo, Attention: Jackie Schuler, 7790 S. 192nd St. Gretna, NE 68028. If your child was baptized at St. Charles we do not need this.

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION

2nd year confirmation prep

- Thank you to all parents who helped and prayed for this year's 2nd year confirmation prep retreat! It couldn't have been done without you all, so thank you!!
- Also, 2nd year parents please note that the next due date for 2nd year assignments is October 3/4. I am asking that all students have their baptism certificate, confirmation info sheet (the last page of the parent packet), and their sponsor form (found on the confirmation website), turned in by that date. If you have any questions about this please contact Sarah at sfinneran@scbccomaha.org.

1st year confirmation prep

- As bible boot camp is coming to a close, it is very important that your child continues to bring their bible and journal to each class. Also, please note that next week the students will be practicing bible journaling. This strategy is one in which the students read a few lines from scripture, try to imagine what those lines would look like as a picture then asks that they draw it in their bible. It is one that I (Sarah) use often and truly enjoy and I only use forms of color that is translucent enough that I can still read the text behind it. However, if you would rather your child not color in their bible, I understand but please let me (Sarah) know so that I can have the necessary supplies for each child.
- Lastly, 1st year parents- since next week is our last week in bible boot camp, all students will be invited to wear camo at their class next week!

1st and 2nd year confirmation prep

- If you are looking for parish service hours, the Fall Festival is still looking for volunteers!!