

St. Charles Borromeo Religious Formation Family Newsletter

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Upcoming Dates:

Oct 17 & 18	No Class
Oct 24 & 25	Class & Parent Night
Oct 31 & Nov 1	Attend Holy Day Mass in lieu of class
Nov 5	RF Family Potluck
Nov 7 & 8	Class



The Religious Formation Family Potluck will be **Sunday, November 5 at 12:00 noon** in the gym. Join us for some good food, fellowship, and fun with other families in our program.



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)

2nd GRADE FIRST RECONCILIATION REMINDERS

An email was sent last week with the links to sign up for the First Reconciliation Parent/Child Retreat and the First Reconciliation Service. If you have not yet signed up please do so.

All baptismal certificates need to be turned in to the office ASAP. If your child was baptized at St. Charles and you have not yet let us know please do so.

Parent Night

October 24/25 will be our first parent night this year. Parents are asked attend during their child's regular RF class. Please gather in the worship space. Upon completion of the parent portion with Fr. Jeff, parents will be invited to watch the Saint Parade.

PARADE OF SAINTS

We will be celebrating All Saints' Day with an "All Saints' Day Celebration" for all students on October 24/25. At the conclusion of class, we will be having a Saint Parade. **All students are encouraged to dress up as their favorite saint.**

STEWARDSHIP CARDS

Your child(ren) received another sheet of offertory cards this week. Please remind your child to think about what they are going to do for God this week. Have them write that on one of their "Gift for God" cards and **return that when you bring them to Mass each weekend.** If they forget 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.

REMINDER:

NO CLASS NEXT WEEK – OCTOBER 17/18



RECONCILIATION RETREAT

Volunteers are needed to help with station crafts/games during the 2nd grade Reconciliation Retreat. Volunteers must be 6th grade or older. Positions available:

Nov. 18 9:40-10:40 a.m. or 2:10-3:10 p.m.

RECONCILIATION RECEPTION

Volunteers are needed to help serve at the First Reconciliation reception. Volunteers must be 6th grade or older. Positions available:

Dec 1 5:15-6:30 or 7:15-8:30

Contact Jackie if you are interesting helping.

COLORS OF CHRISTMAS

The *Catholic Voice* will again hold the “Colors of Christmas” art contest. Students in K-6 grades are asked to draw, color or paint a scene from the Gospel depicting Christ’s birth, then send the entries to the *Catholic Voice*. Gift certificates will go to the top three winners in each of three categories: kindergarten through first grade, second through third and fourth through sixth.

Contest deadline this year: Dec. 1. The nine winning entries will be published in the Dec. 15 Christmas edition. This year’s theme will be from the second chapter in Luke’s Gospel, with Joseph and Mary traveling from Nazareth to Bethlehem, and an angel and heavenly host proclaiming Christ’s birth to the shepherds. Watch this newsletter in the coming weeks for more information.

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION



1st and 2nd year- Just as we have done in years past, the older grades in Religious Formation at St Charles have been asked to present information and lead a station during our All Saints Day Celebration. This lesson will be at our next class – October 24/25. Your child received information on their saint this week in class. Please look over this information with them and ask them to practice a couple times before our next class. They will have at least one other confirmation prep buddy at their station with them. Please note that at the bottom of the page they received it asks that they look up this saint’s feast day and what they are the patron saint of and write them down. They should look up this information and then turn it in after they share it at their saint station. If you have any questions about this, please don't hesitate to ask!

1st year- please turn in your sponsor’s name and email address. Also at class this week your child was assigned their saint paper. Please take the next few weeks to read about a few different saints before they write their papers. They were also given a rubric that outlines what I expect of them in these papers. The rough draft will be due December 5/6. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Sarah at sfinneran@scbccomaha.org -I am still looking for volunteers for the 1st year retreat on November 11. If you are able to help please email Sarah.

2nd year- please turn in your confirmation info sheet, baptism certificates, and sponsor forms. Also, your student received their edited saint paper from last year this week. Please look over their paper with them and please have them revise it and turn it in by December 5/6.