



Religious Education 2010-2011

January 12, 2011

Dear Parent/Guardian,

With the official date of spring 2011 on March 20, we have only 67 days to wait. Sometimes, it seems a little funny to be counting days. We count days until Christmas, days until spring, days until that special vacation. I think many of us like looking forward. I look forward to spring!

I hope you were able to find time for some fun and relaxation over the holidays. Would you please take a minute to review the following items specific to the Resurrection Religious Education program?

Class schedule at a glance: *The program calendar is also posted on the parish website.*

- January 19: Class as usual
- January 26: Class as usual
- February 2: Class as usual

Special dates for second grade parents:

- January 26: First Eucharist parent meeting in the church. Begins at 6:30 PM.
- February 24: First Eucharist parent meeting in the church. Begins at 6:30 PM.
- March 19: First Eucharist retreat for second grade students and parents. 9 AM to 1 PM.
- April 14: Eucharist interviews in the school gym.
- May 1 and May 7: First Eucharist dates

2011 Summer Religious Education program

The summer Religious Education program is offered as an alternate option to the Wednesday night program. The 2011 summer session will be held over a two week period, starting on Monday, June 13 and ending on Thursday, June 23. Classes will be conducted in the mornings (8 AM until Noon: Monday through Thursday) during those two weeks. We will include grades 1 through 7 in the 2011 summer program.

Class sizes will be limited. Registration for the summer program will be held in Resurrection School on Wednesday, February 2, from 4:30 PM to 7 PM. Please call me or stop by to see me if you have questions.

From the Office for Protection of Children

Attached to this parent letter is the fourth of a five part series of parent NewsNotes from the Office for the Protection of Children from the Archdiocese of Dubuque. The purpose of these publications is to help all of us be more informed of the issues and topics related to the abuse of children. It is our sincere hope that by partnering together we can continually provide the safest possible environment for all our young people to grow into healthy, Christ-filled adults. The next NewsNotes will be distributed in February.

Additional resources can be found at the Virtus website at <http://www.virtusonline.org>.

Over, please-→

For your review: Leadership in Children

“Although a child is not going to understand leadership unless it is explained, a young mind quickly absorbs the fact that a leader is a person who makes things better in the world. An adult has to drop that seed of wisdom in young minds and keep reminding them of it. The concept may very well be enough to keep a child strong in the face of peer pressure. The idea of being of genuine use to their world can seize a child's imagination and help them cling tenaciously to moral values when the resolve and values of those around them are fraying. “

Juliana Hoewing, Principal: Madrone Elementary School

Vacation Bible School- Mark your calendars: Vacation Bible School will be conducted during the week of July 11. This year's theme is Panda Mania- Where God is Wild About You! VBS registration will be open to children from age 4 through the fifth grade.

Just for Fun

Last weekend, we celebrated the Baptism of the Lord. Speaking of sacraments, can you match the sacraments to the correct description?

Match the correct terms:

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| 1. Baptism | a.) Confers a permanent mark or character on the one who receives it. |
| 2. Reconciliation | b.) Birth into the new life in Christ. |
| 3. Eucharist | c.) Sacrament of healing given to a person who is seriously ill |
| 4. Confirmation | d.) Called the Sacrament of Conversion. |
| 5. Marriage | e.) In this sacrament, a baptized person is strengthened for service to the Body of Christ. |
| 6. Anointing of the sick | f.) This sacrament signifies the union of Christ and the church. |
| 7. Holy Orders | g.) The memorial of Christ's life, death and Resurrection |

If you have questions or comments about the Religious Education program, please feel free to contact me at 556-7511 or dbq058re@arch.pvt.k12.ia.us . Likewise, please feel free to stop at the parish office during the week to see me.

Thanks in advance for your continued cooperation and interest.

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Answers to the quiz: 1. **b** 2. **d** 3. **g** 4. **e** 5. **f** 6. **c** 7. **a**