St. Lawrence Catholic Church Religious Education Newsletter March & April 2020

<u>Children's Masses</u>

Children's Masses will be held one Sunday each month. During these Masses, we ask that the Religious Education students sit with their classes at the front of the church. Each month, two classes will be responsible for performing the duties of the lectors, offertory collectors, and gift bearers. We strongly encourage families to attend Mass every weekend, especially for Children's Masses. This will encourage the children to be active members of the faith. Students are excited to have a special part in the Mass, and we would like to foster that love of service.

March Children's Mass:

March 15^{th} - 5^{th} and 2^{nd} Grade classes will be assisting at our Children's Mass.

April Children's Mass:

April 19th -3rd Grade and Kindergarten classes will be assisting at our Children's Mass.

May Children's Mass:

May 3rd will be May Crowning and Children's Mass. 6th Grade and 2nd Grade will be assisting during mass.

Important Dates to Add to Your Calendar:

March 1st-Confirmation Class will meet at the Church for RE class. March 6th-Confirmation Class will Perform Shadow Stations of the Cross-7PM March 7th-Confirmation Retreat and Confessions-10AM March 8th-Confirmation Practice after 10:00 AM Mass March 12th-Confirmation at St. Lawrence-7PM

Food Pantry Donations

Canned Vegetables (Tomatoes & Chili Beans) Canned Fruits Jell-O, Frosting Spaghetti Sauce

First Communion Dates:

April 25th-First Confession and First Communion Practice 1:00 PM April 26th-First Communion-1:00 PM -<u>Candidates</u> <u>arrive by 12:30 PM</u> Please turn Baptismal Certificates into the Rectory by March 1st. First Communion Attire: Boys-white shirt, black/navy pants with dark tie.

Celebrating Lent

The season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on February 26th. On March 1st, your children will be bringing home a Rice Bowl for your family. During the time of Lent, discuss opportunities for kindness, giving, and selflessness. At the bottom of this page, you can help your child create a pledge for Lent.

Here are some ideas to help your children contribute to the Rice Bowl:

- Act of Kindness Challenge: create a jar for each family member filled with ideas of acts of kindness. Daily, pull out an act to complete for the day. Each time that act is completed, add a coin to the Rice Bowl.
- Coins for Caring: Each time you see your child complete a caring act for a family member or friend, give them a coin to add to the Rice Bowl
- Help your child give up a treat, such an ice cream or candy. Add the money you would have spent on the treat to the Rice Bowl.

Stations of the Cross will be held each Wednesday evening. This is a great opportunity for our children to learn about the journey that Christ endured for us.

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1 RE at 8:30 AM	2	3	4 Stations of the Cross-7PM	5	6 Shadow Stations-7PM	7 Confirmation Retreat-10AM
8 RE at 8:30 AM Confirmation Practice	9	10	11 Stations of the Cross-7PM	12 Confirmation	13	14
15 RE at 8:30 AM Children's Mass	16	17	18 Stations of the Cross-7PM	19	20	21
22 No RE	23	24	25 Stations of the Cross-7PM	26	27	28
29 No RE	30	31				
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			1 Stations of the Cross-7PM	2	3	4
5 Palm Sunday RE at 8:30 AM	6	7	8 Stations of the Cross-7PM	9 Holy Thursday Mass-6PM	10 Good Friday Mass-6PM	11 Easter Vigil 8PM
12 Easter Sunday No RE	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 RE at 8:30 AM Children's Mass	20	21	22	23	24	25 First Communion Practice
26 RE at 8:30 AM First Communion	27	28	29	30		
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3 Last Day of RE May Crowning	4	5	6	7	8	9

