Religious Education Dept.

May 2016

I had my Coordinator/Catechist meeting with Sister Kevin John on May 3rd. She was much astounded on the accomplishments I have made in such a short period of time. She was quite impressed. I got a passing grade!! :) She did mention that the catechists need to take the classes offered. I have that again in my agenda for my catechists meeting.

First Holy Communion was held on Sunday May 1, 2016 at the 10:30 am Mass. Father Anthony did a really beautiful service for the children who received the Blessed Sacrament. The parents received on the alter with their child. It was a moving experience had by all.

On Saturday May 7th, at the 5:30 pm Mass, Father Anthony Baptized one of the Religious Education Kindergarten Students.

On Sunday May 8th, Mother's Day religious education held its last Youth Mass for the Year. Along with that the Level 2 Children Crowned Mary.

The Religious Education Department handed out Rosaries and a Card to the Mothers on Mother's Day.

The Survey that I handed out regarding Bible Camp can back supportive. I have 11 children so far interested in attending Bible Camp. It will be free to the religious education students. I am working on getting 7th Graders to volunteer as well as a few of my catechists /aides to help participate in this new venture. The theme will be a Camping Trip.

I have a letter going home to the 7th Grade class promoting community service hour's which they need 10 hours for next year. These summer hours they participate in will be used towards their hours for the 2016/29017 year. I have mentioned Summerfest, Alter Serving, Pantry and Bible Camp to them.

May 16th at 6:30pm is Religious Educations FINAL MEETING for the Year. We will be discussing Report Cards to be ready for distribution on Tuesday May 17th. (This is our last Class), a new Book Company and a few changes for the better as how I will run things. Over all I feel I have had a productive year, successful; year. I am happy with my accomplishments this year, and will build upon them for next.

I have taken in a few more payments. I now have 3 families left with balances due. Balance left to collect is \$ 210.00. These families received another letter letting them know that their balance must be paid before they can reregister for next year. I again mentioned that if they need assistance that I would be of help to them.

Total collected as of May 2016: \$ 3,503.00.

I am planning a Registration Night after the 5:30 pm and 9; 30 am Masses on the weekend of June 25, 26th. Also, I would like to have a booth at Summerfest as I had last year for Registrations as well. If need be I'll do another one in August. And phone calls as I did last year. I am planning to begin next year on Tuesday September 13, 2016. 6:30- 8:00PM.

A \$16.00 purchase was made from the Gift Shop.

I have 1 Level I Catechist Course to complete. I will be Level one certified. I am looking into Level two Courses over the summer. Also I will have three Religious Education Coordinator Basic Leadership Courses to complete by June 18th. I will be taking a course over the summer.

Respectfully Submitted,

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