## Religious Education Program ~ Parish Council Report

## October 2017

The beginning of the new Religious Education Program started off to a Great start. Catechetical Sunday was beautiful. Thank you Father Anthony.

On Tuesday September 19<sup>th</sup>, we held our Safe Environment Program with all Levels.

On Tuesday September 26<sup>th</sup>, The Confirmation class held their interviews with Father Paul.

Our Fire Drill was held this past Tuesday with Mr. Arnold, Representing the Bloomingburg Fire Department, in giving a presentation on Fire Safety followed by a Fire Drill Rehearsal. All went smoothly. A thank you letter was mailed out on Wednesday to the Fire Department for their service.

I have completed the Annual Report and submitted it on September 29<sup>th</sup>. This is due on October 27th. I have completed and mailed to Sister Kevin John my Catechetical Census Report which is due on October 12<sup>th</sup>. I am awaiting the Safe Environment Roster from the Archdiocese for review which is due to Sister Kevin John, the Regional director on October 20<sup>th</sup>.

I have begun the Advanced Leadership Training Classes. This began on Thursday September 28th.

So far this year I have 32 Registered Families, with a total of 53 children enrolled in the program. I have collected a total of \$2,325.00, and a Balance of \$2,175.00 to collect. Letters have gone out to those families with balances due.

I have sent into the Archdiocese another updated Roster with Safe Environment information as well as background checks, as I have added on two more catechists aides to the program.

Our next Youth Mass will be held on Saturday October 14<sup>th</sup> at the 5:30 mass. There will also be a bake sale. Proceeds will be donated to our food pantry. I will be attending the Catechetical Forum on Saturday October 28<sup>th</sup> in Monroe.

Classes have been cancelled due to Halloween being on a Tuesday.

Family Catechesis, Faith Food & Fun will be held on Saturday November 4<sup>th</sup> from 2:30-5:00 followed by a Youth Mass. The Saint I have chosen to use for that day is Saint Mother Francis Xavier Cabrini. The children will; also be decorating the boxes to be used for the Thanksgiving Day Baskets for the Pantry Clients. Boxes will be brought over to the church for distribution on that weekend.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Herschel, CRE