

Our Lady of the Assumption  
Religious Education Program  
Parish Council Report  
December 2019

The Religious Education Program is running well this first half of the year.

On Saturday November 16<sup>th</sup> we held our Family Catechesis, Faith Food & Fun. The children learned about Saint Gertrude the Great, by watching a You Tube Video form the Catholic Online website. They also participated in making and decorating the Thanksgiving Day boxes for the Pantry Clients. All who attended had a great time.

Also, at the 5:30pm Mass the Level 8 children signed their Rite of Enrollment Contracts.

The Youth Mass, which was scheduled for Saturday November 16<sup>th</sup> went well, a thank you to Tyler Odell for a job well done with the children singing.

On November 23<sup>rd</sup> we had the blessing of witnessing the Baptism of one of the Religious Education Children in Level 1. Father Joseph did a wonderful job.

I have purchased and given out to the Families of Religious Education pamphlets on Advent, which has information and family projects to do during this festive season.

I also purchased a book for each family to use during Advent. The title is "An Advent Pilgrimage: Preparing Our Hearts for Jesus". Each family will be receiving this book on Tuesday December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

This past Tuesday December 3<sup>rd</sup> the entire Religious Education Program's Children and their parents learned about Advent the meaning/symbol of the wreath and made fresh Advent wreaths to take home and use during this year's advent season. Everyone enjoyed this new project.

On Tuesday December 10<sup>th</sup> Religious Education children and parents, levels 4-9, will be participating if Reconciliation at the Church

On Monday December 16<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm, the Catechist will be holding their meeting to work on report cards to be given out on December 17<sup>th</sup>. On December 17<sup>th</sup> the Catechists will be giving out their report cards to the parents. During that time, I will be with the children Lower Level learning about the Jesse Tree this year.

On Tuesday December 24<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday December 31<sup>st</sup>, there will be NO CLASSES due to the Christmas Break.

I have mailed out letters to the families with balances due to the program.

Respectfully Submitted,

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