



ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION NEWS



November 2020

Dear Faith Formation Families,
Happy Autumn! We are five weeks into the catechetical year!

UPDATES

- **November 1 Feast of All Saints**
- **All Souls Mass of Remembrance – Monday, Nov. 2, 7pm**
- **Living in the Light 1st Reconciliation Event II Thursday, Nov. 12, 6pm & 6:45pm OR Sunday, Nov. 15, 1pm**
- **Thanksgiving Break – No Classes on November 24**
NOTE: Monday classes will meet remotely on November 23
- **Advent Reconciliation Service with 1st Reconciliation – Saturday, Dec. 12, 10am**

HOMEWORK / ATTENDANCE / PUNCTUALITY REMINDERS

Students are assigned homework every week. Every student received a Monday & Tuesday lesson schedule in their folder on drive by pick up. Homework must be completed each week and submitted to their catechist via the Christ In Us student portal.

ALL SAINTS ASSEMBLY

UNFORTUNATELY WE CANNOT HAVE OUR TRADITIONAL ALL SAINTS ASSEMBLY THIS YEAR. HOWEVER CHECK YOUR EMAIL FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO WITNESS THE YEARLY PUMPKIN LIGHTING!

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The EFF office has made Children's Liturgy of the Word scripts and activity pages available on the COL website. To access go to www.christourlight.net, click on "Worship" on the top bar, then click on Children's Liturgy of the Word. Easy!!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- **MAKE SANDWICHES FOR CATHEDRAL KITCHEN, JOSEPH'S HOUSE IN CAMDEN AND BRING THEM TO THE FRONT OF THE PARISH CENTER FOR DROP OFF AND PICK UP ON SATURDAY, NOV. 28 FROM 9:00 – 10:00AM**
SANDWICH INGREDIENTS: 1 KING SIZE LOAF OF BREAD, 1 LB. SLICED TURKEY OR BEEF BOLOGNA, ½ LB. SLICED AMERICAN CHEESE. ASSEMBLE SANDWICHES, PLACE EACH IN A ZIP LOCK BAG, THEN PLACE ALL IN THE BREAD LOAF SLEEVE.
- **PREPARE CASSEROLES AT HOME FOR JOSEPH'S HOUSE. PICK UP ALUMINUM PANS AND RECIPES AT THE WELCOME DESK IN THE CHURCH GATHERING SPACE. DROP OFF FROZEN CASSEROLES TO SAME ON SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS BEFORE OR AFTER ANY MASS.**
- **DONATE YOUR FREE SUPERMARKET TURKEY TO THE COL FOOD PANTRY FOR THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS FOR THOSE IN NEED.**

WHAT GOES AROUND COMES AROUND & HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

The liturgical year, sometimes called the “Church Year,” celebrates the cycle of events in the life of Christ. The First Sunday in Advent (this year Nov. 29) is the “New Year” for the Church. The Church has a beautiful, yet mysterious rhythm to its seasons that renews us when we participate fully in them. Just as the calendar year follows the sun, so too the Church year follows the life of the Son!

During the liturgical year Catholics receive from the Church the means to reflect upon and live out the mysteries of our salvation in Jesus!

ADVENT BOOKLETS

Advent booklets for families will be available at the Welcome Desk in church the first weekend of Advent to help you journey through the days and weeks leading up to the joyous celebration of Christmas.

ANNUAL ADVENT STEWARDSHIP TO SACRED HEART

AS WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS TO CELEBRATE CHRIST’S COMING ON DECEMBER 25TH, WE HAVE TIME TO REFLECT ON ALL THAT OUR GOD HAS GIVEN US.

SACRED HEART PARISH IN CAMDEN OFFERS A DISCOUNT TOY STORE TO LOW INCOME FAMILIES WHO QUALIFY TO SHOP FOR CHRISTMAS TOYS FOR CHILDREN 12 YEARS OF AGE AND UNDER AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES. CHRIST OUR LIGHT IS CONTINUING A LONG STANDING TRADITION OF SUPPORTING THE “STORE”. WE WILL COLLECT NEW, UNWRAPPED TOYS, VALUED AT \$10.00 OR MORE FROM NOV. 23 – DEC. 6. THERE WILL BE A MARKED BIN IN THE SMALL VESTIBULE OF THE PARISH CENTER. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!

NEEDED:

- **DOLLS, ESPECIALLY AFRICAN AMERICAN**
- **DOLL HOUSES, STROLLERS & OTHER DOLL ACCESSORIES**
- **FISHER PRICE, PLAYSKOOL BABY & PRE-K TOYS I.E.: RATTLES, STACKING BLOCKS & INFANT TOYS**
- **BUILDING SETS, MEGA BLOCKS, LEGOS, ETC.**
- **PRETEND & DRESS UP OUTFITS**
- **GAMES: CONNECT 4, OPERATION, TROUBLE, MEMORY, MONOPOLY, UNO, SCRABBLE JUNIOR**
- **SPORTS EQUIPMENT: BASKETBALLS, FOOTBALLS, NERF BALLS (NO BLASTERS!)**



NOT NEEDED:

- **STUFFED ANIMALS**
- **PUZZLES, COLORING BOOKS & CRAYONS, PLAYDOH, CLAY**
- **CANDYLAND, CHUTES AND LADDERS, YAHTZEE GAMES**
- **SOCCER, HOCKEY AND TENNIS RELATED ITEMS**
- **ABSOLUTELY NO WAR TOYS OR GUNS**
- **USED TOYS**

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP

On Thanksgiving morning, Thursday, November 26, all Christ Our Light families and friends are invited to Mass at 9:00a.m. to celebrate, praise God, and give thanks for all God’s blessings.

Wishing you and yours a blessed Thanksgiving ,

GINNY GROGAN

Director

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Loving God,
All that we have comes from your goodness
and the work of those who love us.
Bless us and the food we share.
Watch over those who care for us.
Open our eyes to the needs of the poor
during this time of harvest and thanksgiving.
We make our prayer in the name of Jesus,
Who is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.