

# Faith Formation Update

Dear Families,

I hope you all had a warm and relaxing Thanksgiving break. This past Sunday marked the First Sunday of Advent. Advent is a season where we are called to wait, to slow down our crazy and hectic lives and wait for the coming of Christ. Let us take this time this season to take a step back from all the craziness of Christmas preparations, and focus on our relationship with Christ.



## Faith Formation Classes

Faith Formation classes will be held as normal this weekend. **Sunday classes will meet from 9:50AM - 10:50AM and Monday classes will meet from 4:15PM-5:15PM.**



**Confirmation class will also meet this Sunday from 5:00PM-7:00PM.** Confirmation I will meet in the Lodge and Confirmation II will meet in the Parish Basement. We will also have **Mass this evening from 6:00PM-7:00PM.**

If you know that your child is unable to attend class, please let me know. It is important that we maintain accurate attendance records.

## Mass Opportunities

We have two Mass opportunities coming up in the next few weeks. The first is our **teen Mass on Sunday, December 6 at 6:00 PM.** Everyone is welcome to attend.



The second Mass opportunity is our student Mass on **Sunday, December 13 at 11:00 AM**. As we did this past month, students from one of our grades will serve as the host grade for that particular Mass. Students will serve as readers, gift bearers, greeters, and collection basket passers. For this upcoming Mass students in **gr. 4** will serve as our host grade.

## First Reconciliation Meeting

Parents/Guardians with students who will be receiving First Reconciliation next month (First Eucharist prep pt. 2-- (gr. 2)) are invited to an informational meeting on either Monday, **December 14 at 10:00 AM** or Tuesday, **December 15 at 6:00 PM** in the Lodge.



At this meeting we will be giving an overview of the Sacrament, why it is important, and what your child(ren) need to know and understand in preparation for their reception of the Sacrament. We will also be providing very important handouts during this meeting that will help you prepare your child for the Sacrament at home, including a handout that details the ceremony Sacrament.

I also wanted to remind you of the First Reconciliation dates as well. We will be celebrating the Sacrament on **Saturday, January 23 at 1:00 PM in the Church**. In the event of a **snow day** we will celebrate the Sacrament on **Saturday, January 30 at 1:00 PM in the Church**. It is necessary that your child(ren) receive this Sacrament in order for them to receive their First Communion in the Spring.

## Poster Contest

The Knights of Columbus are holding another contest opportunity for the youth of our parish. For the next several weeks they will be hosting a poster design contest for children between the ages of 5 and 14. The posters are meant to



represent the theme of "Keeping Christ in Christmas." The poster will be judged under 3 criteria: Slogan (how clearly is the them presented), Visuals (how well do the visuals convey the message), and Overall Impact (how effective was the poster in capturing your attention and causing you to reflect on the topic). Please contact me if your child is interested in participating in the contest.

## Holiday Concert

The Saints and Singers Chorus will present a concert opportunity here at our parish on Friday, December 11 at 7:30 PM. Admission to the concert is free. [Click here for a promotional flyer for the concert](#)



Jonathan Gal0- Director of Faith Formation | 508-548-3515  
[stanthonyfaithformation@comcast.net](mailto:stanthonyfaithformation@comcast.net)  
[www.stanthonyscapecod.org/faithformation](http://www.stanthonyscapecod.org/faithformation)