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Important to Remember

ABSENCES

Call RE Office prior to the start of class at 708.352.4555 or email <u>sfxreligioused@sfxlg.org</u>

SIGN IN PROCEDURE

Please make sure to stop in the RE Office whenever you are in the building to sign in before going to your child's class or to a presentation in Joyce Hall.

EARLY DISMISSAL

Parent note required. Stop in the RE Office to

Coordinator's Message

I'm not sure what the Ground Hog will predict tomorrow, however, the fact that it is still light out at 5:15pm and we can dismiss in daylight on Wednesdays at the end of the 4:00 Religious Ed Session, keeps me hopeful that Spring will soon be here!

The extreme deep freeze this week made me more mindful of how grateful I am to be protected from the elements. Hope you have all been safe and warm. Prayers continue for all who have been and will continue to be affected by the cold and snow of winter. Thank you to ALL whose work brought them outdoors to serve and protect us.

Please know that any **emergency closing notifications** for Religious Ed will be sent thru a **ROBO Call AND thru Constant Contacts**, which is how you receive my weekly News Bulletin.

Children in grades 1-8 will be going home with an evaluation for the first semester. Please ask your child(ren) for the envelope addressed to you!

May I suggest that on snowy days you send your child(ren) with a change of shoes. This will eliminate puddles in classrooms. The change from snow boots to shoes can happen outside of the classroom door. Thanks for considering this request.

Our weeks of class are starting to wind down, so please make sure your child's schedule includes their RE Class. The busyness of our lives have us needing to juggle things around more often than not. Thanks for helping your child(ren) learn that fitting everything in sign your child out. This is only on an emergency basis.

PICK UP PROCEDURES

Please do not double park. Children always have the right of way. Be considerate of our neighbors on Waiola and Spring Avenues.

CLASS TIMES

Sunday: 9:00-10:15am Wednesday: 4:00-5:15pm Wednesday: 6:15-7:30pm

Please make sure your child arrives five minutes early so that class can begin on time.

Kindergarten parents ONLY may walk their child into the building.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 noon, and 6:00 pm works when we plan ahead.

Winter and Snowy Days are always a challenge for drop off and pick up. PLEASE follow the Drop Off and Pick Up Procedure posted in this News Bulletin (attachment section to the left). Remember that children ALWAYS have the right of way. It is also important to remember to be considerate of our neighbors on Waiola and Spring Avenue.

First Eucharist Prep Liturgy

Families who have a child preparing to receive First Eucharist in May are reminded of the Prep Liturgy this Sunday at 1:30pm in church. Reminder that children who attend RE on Sunday morning still have class the morning of a Prep Liturgy.

<u>Click here</u> for another venue to purchase dress attire for that special day!

Sixth Grade Liturgy

Make sure Sixth Grade Families have Sunday, February 10 on your calendar for the Noon Mass. More information was emailed home to families on January 29. Please check your inbox if you have yet to read the correspondence.

Sixth Graders will be celebrating Reconciliation during class time on Sunday, February 3 and Wednesday, February 6.

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLW)

CLW happens at the 5:00pm Saturday Mass for children in grades K-4. Check the church bulletin for the schedule as to when children will be invited to participate in their own reflection of the readings or when the Children's Choir will be leading us in prayer and, therefore, the readings will be proclaimed from the Children's Lectionary.

Adult Confirmation

Please <u>click here</u> for a flyer regarding Adult (18 years and over) preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

School Messenger

Be aware that we have contracted School Messenger to help us reach RE families in case of any emergency or with special reminders and or announcements. We have used School Messenger several times already and it seems to help with our communication with you.

Theme for the Year

BELIEVE! With God All Things Are Possible.....is our theme for the year. We are going to focus on trusting that we are all where we have been called to be and doing what God has in mind for us to do with the gift of each day!

New Parish Instagram and Twitter Accounts

The parish is increasing our social media presence and is now on Instagram and Twitter. Like and follow for updates on SFX happenings, upcoming events, and more! @sfxlg_parish

Absences

Please remember to phone in (352-4555) or email <u>sfxreligioused@sfxlg.org</u> your child's absence prior to the start of class. Thank you!

Important Dates and Handbook

The Religious Ed Important Dates Sheet and Handbook can be found on the Parish Website. You can click on the **Attachment Section and Website** found on the top left hand corner of each Religious Ed News Bulletin.

See You In Church!!!

Terri Simeoni Religious Education Coordinator