

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2008

“Christ has no body now on earth but yours, no hands but yours, no feet but yours.” St. Teresa of Avila

Enclosed you will find the Partnership Agreement. Please review it with your child/ren. Sign it and return it with the oldest child.

Stewardship

Maria Kelley, Diane Nucci and Roseanne Falso have donated their time by organizing and distributing the books for grades 1-4 and 5-8. Kudos!

A special thank you to an anonymous generous benefactor who made a cash donation to the Religious Education Program to be used for the benefit of our children. We are indeed blessed to have such an angel in our midst!

Thank you to Keri O'Donnell, Tracy Deluccia and Lynn Moonan for giving of their time to help in the Religious Education Office. If we missed anyone, know we are truly thankful for your help.

Lexi Dejewski and Patti Babich – thanks for helping with word processing.

Sacramental News

REMINDER:

First Reconciliation Parent Meeting: Tuesday, October 21st in the Church at 7:15 p.m.

This is a REQUIRED meeting. All students who are in the second year of Religious Education as well as any other students are eligible to register for this sacrament. You MUST PRE-REGISTER your child for the sacrament before this meeting. The meeting is for PARENTS, not children. The forms have been mailed home. If you did not receive one, please call our office at 973-696-8307. Thank you.

There will be a special Blessing and the signing of the Enrollment Book for First Reconciliation families at all weekend masses on October 25/26.

Mass dates for First Eucharist will be mailed home shortly.

Grade 1 Preparation for the Sacrament Program:

October 14 – Meeting for grade 1 parents – 7:30 p.m. in Fr. Rugel Hall.

October 18 – Blessing and acceptance of their book at the NOON Mass.

Grades 1 – 4

Classes for October and November: Saturdays 9:00 - 11:15 a.m.

Prayer Service Assignments – 10:30 in the church. Parents always welcome to join us!

Oct. 11 – Donna Kells' class will be leading us in prayer. Gospel: Mt. 22:1-14,

Theme: Come to the feast.

Oct. 18 – Amanda Badami's class will be leading us in prayer. Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21, Theme: Give to Caesar what is his, to God what is his.

Oct. 25 - Kiki Graham and Darlene Gerritsen's class will be leading us in prayer. Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40, Theme: The Greatest Commandment

Nov. 15 – Patti Babich’s class will be leading us in prayer. Gospel: Mt. 25:14-30,

Theme: Use your gifts wisely.

Nov. 22 – 4th Grade Church Tour. NO PRAYER SERVICE today.

Grades 5 - 8

Reminder of our curriculum change: The students will be receiving textbooks on the first night of class. The textbooks are to remain in the classroom and will not be written in. Written homework will not be assigned on a regular basis. Any textbook that is lost or damaged will need to be replaced and the family will be responsible for the replacement value.

Absenteeism - as per our policy listed on the website, (www.olvwayne.org) two unexcused absences are allowed each year. “Parents must make sure that the student makes up all class work and brings completed work to the following session.” Teachers will permit the textbooks to go home in an effort to make up any missed work. The textbooks are **NOT** to be written in. Use a notebook or sheet of paper to write answers to questions on the assessment page. Once the completed work is shown to the teacher, it will be noted and the child will receive credit for the missed class.

Parking Lot - please be mindful and respectful of the parking lot attendants. They are trying to provide a safe environment for our children.

Prayer Service - Most prayer services begin at 8:10 unless otherwise stated. Outside church doors will be locked at 8:10 for the safety of our students. Parents please join us. Each week a different class will be our leaders in prayer. It truly is a gift you will give yourself to see the young people ministering to each other.

Dismissal - Parents that are present in the prayer service at 8:10 will have their children dismissed first. The remainder of the children will be dismissed as follows: 5th grade will return to their classrooms to be dismissed from there. 6th grade will be dismissed from the church. 7th and 8th grades will be dismissed into Fr. Rugel Hall. 8th grade will be closer to the stage. Parents, please make sure the teacher knows you have taken your child.

Classes for October and November: Mondays 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Class Assignments: Will be posted in the following locations:

Grade 5: In Hallway next to Teacher’s Room on 1st floor. **Grade 6:** School lobby by Church doors. **Grade 7:** Parish Hall. **Grade 8:** Modular Unit.

October 6th, 2008 — ****ALL PARENTS NEED TO BRING CHILDREN TO CLASSROOM for 1st class.**** You will be introduced to their teachers and stay for a 30-minute meeting which will explain our procedures. Please join us for refreshments in the kitchen and for the prayer service after that. Thank you.

Oct. 6 – Prayer Service Team will be leading us in prayer. Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14, Theme: Come to the Feast.

Oct. 13 – Mr. Fleming and Mrs. Council’s class will be leading us in prayer. Gospel: Mt. 22:15-21, Theme: Give to Caesar what is his.

Oct. 20 – Mr. and Mrs. Marrinan’s class will be leading us in prayer. Gospel: Mt. 22:34-40, Theme: Greatest Commandment.

Oct. 27 – Mr. Rogacki’s class will be leading us in prayer. Gospel: John 11:17-27, Theme: Death is not the end but the beginning.

