

Holy Rosary Faith Formation Program

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May 2017 Newsletter

CALENDAR

May 6 – Service Opportunity: Assist Catholic Financial Life members with 'Join Hands Day' at Atrium Post Acute Care Center

May 13 – Faith Formation Program assisting with Food Drive sponsored by United States Postal Service

May 31 – Student, Parent & Sponsor Meeting for those Preparing for Confirmation, 6:30 pm in church at SS. Peter & Paul Parish, Kiel

FIRST EUCHARIST

Congratulations to the young men and women from our parish who received their First Eucharist on April 23.

Kane Abhold
Daniel Binversie
Colton Doherty
Abigail Feider
Ethin Morgen
Carter Roepke

May each time you receive Jesus be as special as your first time.

FOOD DRIVE

Our Faith Formation Program will again be assisting with the US Postal Service's Food Drive on Saturday, May 13. The post office is taking care of getting bags out to city residents, but we will be participating in the pick-up and sorting of the food before it is turned over the St. Vincent de Paul for the food pantry. We will need students to help and parents to provide transportation around town in this undertaking. We will begin at 9:00 am from the school lobby. We need as many volunteers to help us. If you can help, please call Sue at 898-4884. All students grade 4 and younger must have a parent/adult with them.

IMPORTANT INFO FOR JUNIORS

Please watch your mail for some important information concerning Confirmation prep. The Parent/Sponsor/Student meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 31 at Kiel beginning at 6:30 pm in the church.

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM'S ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

Thank you to all who helped in any way with this year's Faith Formation Fundraiser-the Potato Pancake Supper:

- ♥ to those who volunteered to help
- ♥ to those who baked bars or made tortes
- ♥ to those who donated cheese
- ♥ to those who made the table decorations
- ♥ to those who lent us their appliances
- ♥ to the Lion's Club for letting us use the grillers
- ♥ to those who donated toward the Bucket Raffles
- ♥ I want to especially thank my co-chairpersons, Chris Scholz, Abbey Heise, Kim Kessler and Lori Binversie. You are gems to work with!!

This truly was a Faith Formation project. All of the work to put on this fundraiser was done by Faith Formation students and their families. Although many parish members called to volunteer to help, we were able to completely do it on our own. Thank you to all who helped in any way.

We served around 294 people. Between the dinner and the Bucket Raffles, our profit is \$1787.59. The first \$500 will go to the parish to assist with operating costs. The children have agreed to give the balance of the funds this year to our parish's Capital Campaign to replace the heating system in school. The boiler has died and will need to be replaced by the next heating season. Job Well Done by All!

CONTACT INFORMATION

Although the Faith Formation Office is closed over the summer, if at any time if you have questions or concerns, please call the Parish Office at 898-4884 or email at holyrosaryreled@gmail.com

SERVICE HOURS

Last week, students in attendance in grades 7-11 were given a form listing the number of community service hours they have completed and we have on record here at Holy Rosary as of 4/26/17. A reminder to students and parents, one of the requirements for confirmation is

to complete at least 10 hours of community service (half for church and half for community) each year. Several students have not turned in any service hours. Why wait until your junior year to complete the hours. Parents, if you have not seen the form please ask your child for it or give me a call.

Upcoming Service Opportunities:

-**Saturday, May 6.** In conjunction with the local chapter of Catholic Financial Life, students can partake in 'Join Hands Day.' CFL members will be playing Bingo at the Atrium Care Center (Formerly the Homestead) from 10:00-11:30 am with the residents. If you want to help, give Sue a call 898-4884 or just come to the Atrium before 10:00 am.

-**Saturday, May 13** our Faith Formation Program is assisting with pick up of food for the Food Drive being sponsored by the United States Postal Service beginning at **9:00 am**. If you want to help, call Sue at 898-4884.

-The Helping Hands Food Pantry needs help on the third Friday of every month. The food pantry hours are 4:30-5:30 pm.

Community Service Hour Forms are available from the Faith Formation office, the parish office or on the parish website.

Have a Safe and Happy Summer!

THANK YOU!!

It is with a heavy heart that I am saying good-bye as the Coordinator of this Faith Formation Program. When I stepped into this role three years ago, I had hoped I could help build up this program. It has taken a lot of time and a lot of my energy these years to try to put out a program where your children would prosper and grow as disciples of Jesus Christ. I hope I have achieved that. I think we have done some amazing things these last three years, but what has made them amazing, is the Amazing Kids and Catechists I have had to work with.

I thank you all, from the bottom of my heart, for all of your help, for all of your encouragement, for all of your kind words. I ask God's blessings on each and every one of you. May your faith journeys bring you closer to our loving Father, and His Son, our Lord and Savior.

If you ever need anything, I am still available at any time in the parish office. God Bless! See you in church!!

Sue Philippi
Faith Formation Coordinator