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Hello to my CCD families!

This week is a VERY special week! We have 22 amazing people who will be receiving their Sacrament of Confirmation. It is a bittersweet time for me as I have come to truly adore these kids and realize that my short time with them is through. I ask that you pray for them and their sponsors. My prayer for them is that they will continue in their Catholic faith and live a life that reflects their love of the Lord.

As always, contact me should you have any questions or concerns!

God bless you and yours! Annie#



Our 4th Graders will be leading this month's Children's Mass on Sunday, February 26th. Assignments will be going out this week. If your child is in the 4th Grade and will NOT be in attendance at this special Mass, please let Annie know. Thanks!



Upcoming Events

February 28th at 6pm

1st Communion Parent/Student meeting for those who did not attend the meeting during the weekend of February 4th-5th (sign-ups are available online on the CCD tab)

February 8th

Last Night of 2nd Year Confirmation

February 10th at 6pmConfirmation Rehearsal:
Candidates & Sponsors **MANDATORY**

February 11th at 10amSacrament of Confirmation
Mass

February 17th-20thPresident's Day Weekend:
No Sunday CCD Sessions

February 22nd Ash Wednesday –

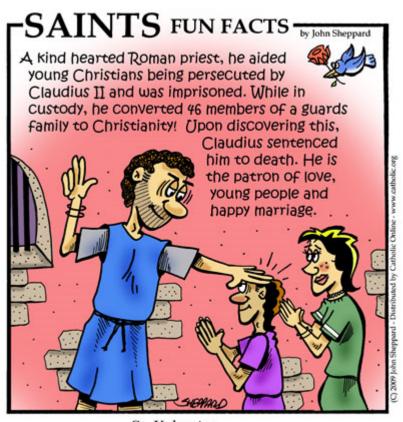
Wednesday Classes are to attend this Mass and must check in with their teachers to get attendance credit.

February 26th at 10am 4th Graders will be serving at the 10am Mass

Service Hours Opportunities...

New service hours opportunities have been added to our website. Keep in mind that we have a large 1st Year Confirmation group this year and opportunities will be less available as in the past. Sign up now (on the CCD tab of our church website) and get your hours in!!

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St. Valentine

Facts About Saint Valentine

- Saint Valentine, officially known as Saint Valentine of Rome, is a thirdcentury Roman saint widely celebrated on February 14th and commonly associated with "courtly love."
- The Roman Catholic Church still recognizes Valentine as a saint, listing him in the February 14th spot of Roman Martyrolgy.
- Saint Valentine is the Patron Saint of affianced couples, engaged couples, happy marriages, love, lovers, and plague. He represented in pictures with birds and roses and his feast day is celebrate on February 14th.

ASH WEDNESDAY

The act of applying ashes to our forehead symbolizes our mortality as well as our need for ongoing repentance.

Ashes are applied to our forehead in the sign of the cross as the words,

"Remember, you are dust and to dust you shall return" are spoken to us.

The other formula which is used, "Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel" emphasizes our call to continual conversion and holiness of life.

WE DON'T WEAR ASHES TO PROCLAIM OUR HOLINESS BUT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE ARE SINNERS WHO ARE IN NEED OF REPENTANCE & RENEWAL.

Lent Begins on February 22nd with Ash Wednesday

Just a reminder that Lent will begin soon! Now is the time to start thinking ahead as to how you want to make the most of the upcoming season. Talk to your children and come up with a plan not only give up something, but encourage them to begin a new habit that will draw them closer to God. It's as easy as saying an "Our Father" before getting out of bed each morning!

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