

Our Lady of the Lakes Church Weekly Parent Connection!

Week of: Mar. 13

Daylight savings begins Sunday, March 10; be prepared for the clocks to “spring” forward at 2am. Like most households, my dogs and children will still arise at the same time- regardless of what the clock might say! They will greet the day like any other, full of energy and ready to be fed.

Our Lenten journey might be similar to Daylight Savings. Even though we know each year that Lent is coming, we might still grumble about the inconvenience of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. I should be more like my critters and children; I should greet Lent with energy and ready to be “fed.” *Matthew 25:35-40*

Please read this email thoroughly to ensure you don't miss out on any important information

NO CLASSES ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6th! ATTEND THE TEACHING MASS!!

Gr. 1-6: NO classes on Wednesday, Mar. 13 from 5:30-6:45pm- attend the Teaching Mass from 6-8pm

Gr. 7-10: NO classes on Wednesday, Mar. 13 from 7:00-8:15pm- attend the Teaching Mass from 6-8pm

All Grades: **Teaching Mass on Wed., Mar. 13**

- There will be a Teaching Mass on Wednesday, March 13th from 6:00-8:00pm at Our Lady of the Lakes
- This opportunity is for all students, gr.1-10, and families to attend. The Mass is the Faith Formation class and attendance is expected.
- Please welcome grandparents, friends and fellow parishioners to these events as well; this is a wonderful event to learn more about our Catholic Mass and share in a deeper understanding of our faith.

Gr. 2: **Sacrament of First Communion: Important Notes**

- An email detailing the instructions to a sign-up for which Mass your child will attend will be sent mid- to late-March. A link will be provided to fill out your Mass preference and how many immediate family members will be attending the Mass for pew reservations.
- Students were sent home after class with poster boards and instructions on Wednesday, March 6. Please contact Neila Duchene if your child was absent that day for poster board pick-up instructions.
- The First Communion Mass rehearsal dates and times have been posted ([Calendars - Our Living Water](#)). Please attend the location that your child will be receiving their sacrament.

All Parents: **Tuesday, Mar. 12: “Chosen” viewing & discussion 6:00-7:45pm**

- At the Church of St. Mary, there will be a viewing of the popular multi-season series “Chosen.” A discussion will be held afterwards. The historical fictional drama series depicts the life of Jesus, shown through the eyes of those who knew Him. This event will run every Tuesday, 2/20-4/2, from 6-7:45pm.

All Families: **Friday, Mar. 15: Stations of the Cross and Soup Dinner**

- At Our Lady of the Lakes, join in the Stations of the Cross at 5:30pm followed by a Soup Dinner. This is a wonderful opportunity to join fellow parishioners in a devotion to Jesus' last days on earth. It is open to everyone, so please consider partaking in this event with your family.

All Grades: **No Classes on Wed., Mar. 20 & Wed., Mar. 27**

- There will not be classes on Wed., Mar. 20 due to Spring Break.
- There will not be classes on Wed., Mar. 27 due to Easter and Holy Week.
- All classes resume on Wed., Apr. 3 as scheduled. *If your family was unable to attend the Teaching Mass on March 13, please attend the Teaching Mass on April 3rd at Church of St. Mary in Willmar.*

Blessings,

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