

Our Lady of the Lakes Church Weekly Parent Connection!

Week of: Apr. 24

This past weekend celebrated the First Communion for some of the children in our Area Faith Community. It was wonderful and such a blessing to see this sacrament being rejoiced by so many families. Thank you to Neila Duchene, Julie Swoboda, Fr. Steve, grade 2 catechists, and to the many other staff and volunteers for helping with the sacramental preparation. Following God's will, in the ways Jesus has taught us, is like receiving nourishment for our souls. Just like April showers, *"May my teaching soak in like the rain, and my utterance drench like the dew. Like a downpour upon the grass, like a shower upon the crops."* Deuteronomy 32:2

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

CLASSES ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17th!

Gr. 1-6: Regular classes on Wednesday, Apr. 24 from 5:30-6:45pm

Gr. 7-10: Regular classes on Wednesday, Apr. 24 from 7:00-8:15pm.

All Volunteers: VIRTUS Training: Monday, Apr. 22

- If you are needing to be VIRTUS trained, please attend the VIRTUS training session held at the Church of St. Mary on Monday, April 22 from 6-9pm.
- This training is for new volunteers only. If you are interested in helping with any ministry in the church that involves working with children or the vulnerable, the VIRTUS training is required.
- If you are interested in helping with Vacation Bible School this summer, and do not already have a VIRTUS account, you will need to attend this one-time training.
- Contact MichellePassa@OurLivingWater.org for more details regarding registration or with questions.

Gr. 9-10: Sunday, Apr. 28: Bethesda Wheelchair Transport cancelled / Gr.10 will have class on May 1

- The gr.9-10 service project on Sun., Apr.28, 2024 has been cancelled. If a student would like to assist Bethesda residents on Sundays, please contact Rebecca Peterson (Director of Recreational Services) at 320-214-5638.
- There WILL BE regularly scheduled classes on Wednesday, May 1 for all students.

All Grades: 1st Wednesday Family Meal: Wednesday, May 1 is back on!

- Please update your calendars and join us at the Family Meal on Wednesday, May 1.
- **Elizabeth Dyrdal's gr.9 class** will be helping with the dinner. If possible, those students are to arrive at 4:45pm to help set up and serve the meal to families. The students will eat dinner prior to attending their class at 7pm.

All Grades: Last FF Class! Wednesday, May 8

- Registration to attend VBS is due Wednesday, May 8
- Please check with your children to make sure that no belongings are left behind at the church. The artwork will be sent home with your child on the last class day.

All Grades: Vacation Bible School 2024: Scuba!

- We are recruiting volunteers for VBS 2024. The theme is "SCUBA: diving into friendship with God."
 - VBS will be held at the Church of St. Mary from Monday, June 3- Thursday, June 6 at 8:30-11:30am
 - Registration for attending VBS will open Monday, April 1.
 - <https://www.web4ucorp.com/forms/forms/view.php?id=566019>
 - If you are interested in volunteering, please register at <https://www.web4ucorp.com/forms/forms/view.php?id=180132>

Gr. 12: 2024 High School Senior Graduation Mass

- The Baccalaureate Mass for Our Lady of the Lakes' graduates will be held Sunday, May 19 at 10am.

Blessings,

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