

Our Lady of the Lakes Weekly Parent Email for Wednesday, Dec. 11, 2024

On Sunday, Dec. 8: You and your family are welcome to have 'Breakfast with Santa,' hosted by the Willmar Knights of Columbus. Santa will be available at the Church of St. Mary from 9am on Sunday until 12pm.

For children grades 2-4 and their families: **Join us for Christmas Caroling** at Willmar's Bethesda Grande assisted living center on Sunday, Dec. 8 from 11:30am-12pm. Put on your merriest outfit and meet us in the main lobby as we celebrate Christmas and spread Christmas joy. [*Another caroling opportunity is Sunday, Dec. 15 from 11:30-12pm at Spicer's Bethesda North Pointe.*]

There is an AFC night of Reconciliation for all students in grades 9 & 10. All gr. 9 & 10 students are to meet at the Church of St. Mary tonight, from 7-8:30pm, to participate in receiving Reconciliation. Attendance is expected.

To report a student's absence, please call the parish office at 320-235-3982 or email OLOLfaithformation@ourlivingwater.org before classes begin.

Classes on Wednesday, December 11th!

Gr. 1-6: Class from 5:30-6:45pm

Gr. 7-8, & 11: Class from 7:00-8:15pm

Gr. 9 & 10: No class

- All grades 9 & 10 students are to be at the Church of St. Mary from 7-8:30pm for Reconciliation.
 - Attendance is expected. Absence from this night will result in a "Make-Up" lesson being emailed to the student and their parents.

Blessings,

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Additional Events:

- The 2nd **Annual Cookie Exchange Night will be Wednesday, Dec. 18.** During our faith formation class times we will be participating in a faith formation school-wide cookie exchange party for the first 30 minutes of class.

- Church of St. Mary: Wednesday, Dec. 18: grades 1-6 5:30-6pm
- Church of St. Mary: Wednesday, Dec. 18: grades 7-11 7-7:30pm

Please have your child bring 1 dozen of his/her favorite cookies to share to class on Dec.

18th. We will display the cookies on banquet tables. Each child will have the opportunity to pick

12 cookies of their choosing to bring home (*but no more than two of one kind!*). We will help re-wrap the treasures and your child will bring home a wonderful assortment of Christmas cookies to share. **Remember- the broken ones have no calories!*

Please place your donated cookies on a **disposable plate**, as we will not be able to keep track of every serving tray. For those that might have food allergies, please note if any gluten, nuts or peanut butter is used in the cookie.