Our Lady of the Lakes Church Weekly Parent Connection!

Week of: Feb. 28

The Church does a great job of keeping the basic doctrines easy for us to memorize. How many commandments? 10! Need help memorizing the Trinity? Make the Sign of the Cross! How many sacraments? 7! And for the Lenten season-the slogan is "**Prayer. Fasting. Almsgiving**."

Lent is essentially 40 days of *active* prayer. We are all on a physical journey that will hopefully bring us closer to Christ. We pray the Stations of the Cross together. We try to avoid distractions that push us away from God's love by fasting. We renew our compassion for those in need. *Matthew 25: 35-36* "Lent is a journey that takes us to the foot of the cross." – *Bishop David L. Ricken*

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

CLASSES ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28th!

Gr. 1-6: Regular classes on Wednesday, Feb. 28 from 5:30-6:45pm

Gr. 7-10: Regular classes on Wednesday, Feb. 28 from 7:00-8:15pm

All Men: Men's Lenten Bible Study: Wednesday, Feb. 28 from 7a-8am

- All men are invited to a Bible study led by Fr. Steve, held at the Church of St. Mary.
- Pre-registration is required; the event is limited to 14 men. Contact <u>FrSteve@OurLivingWater.org</u>
- Fr. Steve will be leading "The Eucharist in Scripture" from the Little Rock Bible Series.

All Families: Friday, Mar. 1: 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 Parents: Tuesday, Mar. 5: "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.

Gr. 10: Sunday, Mar. 3: Service Event at Bethesda Care Center from 12:30-1:30pm

- The confirmation students will be delivering individual flowers, with a "Praying/ Thinking of You" note attached, to 190 Bethesda Care Center residents.
- This is a required event. Students unable to attend will be given a make-up assignment.
- There will be **NO Gr. 10 CLASS on WEDNESDAY, Mar. 6.** *This was originally another service night of playing games with the Bethesda residents; this event, however, has been unfortunately cancelled.

All Families: KC Spicer Sausage and Egg Breakfast: Sunday, March 10 at 9:30am

• All families are invited to join in the Spicer KC Breakfast held on Sunday, Mar.10 following the 8:30am Mass Blassings,

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