

# ST. MARY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: MONTHLY UPDATE



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## Developing Leaders for Christ in Religious Education

### Advent

I hope your children have been taking advantage of the Children's Advent Bulletins this Advent Season. They are a wonderful and simple way to help them prepare their hearts for this special church season. If you missed any of the bulletins after Masses, there are extras sitting in the vestibule. Please help yourself. And many thanks to the ushers for reaching out to our children to pass these out at the end of the Masses.

### Family Faith Day: Epiphany

The Advent season is all about being flexible and adjusting. Knowing what a crazy weekend our Advent Family Faith Day was scheduled for, we decided to make the switch for Epiphany in January. Please bring

your family down to the church basement for Family Faith Day on **Sunday, January 8th**. The Amazing Greys, Evangelization Team, Knights of Columbus, and Religious Education will be on hand to help. And we need EVERYONE'S help as we work together to support Flint with our next Faith in Flint project. Please see our Family Faith Day flier for details.

### Christmas Break

Due to this year's school schedule of "No School" on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, we will resume classes for Religious Education on **Monday, January 23rd**.

### Merry Christmas

On behalf of the entire Religious Education team, we send you well wishes for a Merry Christmas, and a much more peace-filled 2017!

God Bless!

Melissa Yekulis

## Prayer of the Month

### ACT OF HOPE

O my God, relying on Your infinite goodness and promises,

I hope to obtain pardon of my sins, the help of your grace, and life

everlasting,

Through the merits of Jesus Christ, my Lord and Redeemer.

Amen.



## Upcoming Dates

Religious Education Classes:	12-19
Christmas Break December 26-January 22	
Family Faith Day: Epiphany	1-8
First Communion Class	1-15
Classes will resume on January 23rd, Following Martin Luther King Jr. Day	1-23

## New Shirts for Religious Education!



Our Religious Education shirts arrived in November. Congratulations to Megan Dobis, our T-shirt Design contest winner for creating such a beautiful shirt. Many thanks to Ron and Susan Fielder who donated the funds to ensure that every child in the Religious Education program received a shirt. Our kids are going to look great this spring as we spread the good news while we walk to Religious Education!



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

This Christmas season our Knights of Columbus invited the Religious Education program to participate in the annual, national, Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Design Contest. Judges included members of the Knights, the DRE, Religious Education teachers, a representative from youth group, and Father Bosco. Names were maintained anonymous throughout the competition. We wish to thank all of the children who participated in the program and wish our winners the best of luck as their posters move on to the District Level for judging.

Our winners were:

Ages 5-7: Alyssa Ulicne and Eden Bourland

Ages 8-10: Evan Lasky and Brandon Davila

Ages 11-13: Wyatt Carson and Megan Miller

## Youth Group: Upcoming Events

**Home-Made Coffee and Donuts**

**St. Louis Center Shopping  
Skating**

**Movie Night: God's Not  
Dead II**