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### Upcoming Events:

- Jan 17th Marriage Enrichment—Fondue Night
- Jan 21st Parent Meeting for 10th grade parents: Theology of the Body Curriculum to begin on Feb 8th
- Feb 4th Love and Logic Classes begin

### SUMMER DATES

- Middle School Intensive: July 27-Aug 7
- Vacation Bible School: August 10-14

# FAMILY UPDATES

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## Growth and Development: Part 2

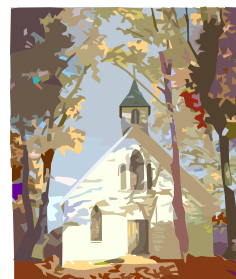
I was playing around with the schedule yesterday and, with our new spaces available, we will be able to offer something for everyone in the Sunday morning time slot and the Sunday afternoon time slot (including high school classes, babysitting, and an adult class).

I really need to know if the Tuesday families would move to Sunday or stay on Tuesday. This will let me know if we need to schedule two or three session offerings for the elemen-

tary classes. Please fill out the survey found on the second page of this newsletter if you haven't already done so and return to me by **Feb 1st**.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Jamie



### 10th Graders to Learn About the Theology of the Body

Do you have a 10th grade child? The post confirmation curriculum for Faith Formation will be Theology of the Body for Teens. We will be having an orientation session for all parents on January 21st from 7-8pm in the St. Anthony Room. Conveniently placed during High School Youth Group, you can drop the kids off and then come in for some goodies and a short presentation on what your teens will be learning. Books are available for purchase for \$15 each (which I recommend, but teens can borrow books as well). Please RSVP so I know how many to expect. Thank you.

# 2009-2010 Faith Formation Survey

**Circle all that apply:**

I am a          Parent          Catechist          Other Volunteer

I currently have children attending/am volunteering during

Sun 4-5          Sun 6-7:30          Tues 4:30-5:30

**Circle the number that most accurately corresponds with your thoughts for next year:**

If we added a Sunday morning session (10:15-11:15) I would most likely

1. Continue with what we have been doing.
2. Switch my children and volunteer during the new session.
3. Switch my children and take the adult class.
4. Switch my children but not volunteer or take the adult class.

**Comments:**

Optional:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

## The Role of the Christian Family In the Modern World:

### Article 9

To the injustice originating from sin- which has profoundly penetrated the structures of today's world-and often hindering the family's full realization of itself and of its fundamental rights, we must all set ourselves in opposition through a conversion of mind and heart, following Christ Crucified by denying our own selfishness: such a conversion cannot fail to have a beneficial and renewing influence even on the structures of society.

What is needed is a *continuous, permanent conversion* which, while requiring an interior detachment from every evil and an adherence to good in its fullness, is brought about concretely



in steps which lead us ever forward. Thus a **dynamic process develops**, one which advances gradually with the progressive **integration of the gifts of God and the demands of His definitive and absolute love** in the entire personal and social life of man. Therefore an **educational growth process is necessary**, in order that individual believers, families and peoples, even civilization itself, by beginning from what they have already received of the mystery of Christ, may patiently be led forward, **arriving at a richer understanding and a fuller integration of this mystery**

in their lives.

#### Questions to reflect on:

- What injustices are set before us today?
- What areas of our lives are selfish?
- What gifts has God given you? Do you use them to spread God's love?
- Do you pray to understand God more fully in your life?
- Do you pray to have a deeper relationship with God?
- How do you nurture this relationship?

## Questions and Answers for Week 13: Early Followers of Jesus

Kindergarten: No Pages

Pg. 10: **Answers vary**

First Grade: No Pages

Pg. 24

Second Grade: No Pages

Third Grade:

Pg. 5 Where can you find Pentecost in the Bible?

What happened at Pentecost? **The Holy Spirit came down and there were many converts to Christ.** Where can you find the story of Paul's conversion in the Bible?

Pg. 9 Name a story from Bible that shows God's creating love. **Adam and Eve** Name a story from the Bible that shows God's saving love. **Abraham and Issac** Name a story from the Bible that shows God's transforming love. **Lazarus**

Some Important Men and Women from the Early Church	They give glory to God by...
Paul	Spreading the Message of Jesus
Mary Magdalene	Financed Jesus' Ministry
Mary, Mother of God	Trusted in God

Fourth Grade:

**Pg. 18** We are called to live moral lives. What does that mean? **We should live according to God's law.**

How is the call to live a moral life connected to our Baptism? **In Baptism we make the commitment, or our parents make the commitment to learn and live accord to God's law.**

How can frequent participation in the Sacraments help you lead a good life? **They give graces that make us strong.**

How is Jesus the role model for all Christians? **He is always loving.**

Fifth Grade: No Journal Pages

# Parenting for Peace and Justice Group

Community Life Ministries at Holy Redeemer Catholic Parish would like to provide a new opportunity for parents who are interested in learning about how to strengthen their families in the areas of:

- Providing education and experiences on peace, justice and global issues for families
- Promoting skill development for children to be justice-doers and peacemakers rooted in Catholic values
- Share, pray and develop a spirituality of justice in a family context
- Incorporate global citizenship concepts into family practice and community advocacy
- Remain active in community issues and advocate for positive social change in the context of parenting for the common good
- Build healthy communities and support family participation in the parish community

If you are interested in being a part of Parenting for Peace and Justice we would reflect, pray and discuss our values for parenting strengths in our hope of working for positive social change and create and build community with parents and children.

Please contact Megan Shanahan for details at 885-7780 X16 or  
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