

7th & 8th Grade

Confirmation Newsletter

MASS OF ENROLLMENT FOR 7TH GRADE

The Mass of Enrollment for 7th grade students preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be Nov. 29 at 6:45 pm. This is a special evening where the 7th grade will receive the Catechism of the Catholic Church and commit to preparing for their last Sacrament of Initiation. Please have your student arrive at 6:30 pm so they have time to sign their name before Mass. Parents and sponsors should be present at the Mass (you have a part)! If you have questions, please contact the Religious Ed Office at [659-8556](tel:659-8556) / hturchi@strobertschool.com

THANKSGIVING SERVICE DRIVE

This Thanksgiving, we will be helping the Flushing Christian Outreach Center in their ministry to provide for people in our Flushing community who are having a difficult time. Nov. 13th-18th, we are asking that you bring an item to class that your grade has been assigned. Thank you!

7th grade: Canned Vegetables

8th grade: Fruit Juice (any kind)

SERVICE & FAITH CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES

Don't forget to be working on your service & faith credits! The following options are coming up:

FAITH CREDITS:

- * Thursday, Nov. 9 is Family Holy Hour for Vocations @ 7 pm. Part of the Holy Hour is the Children's Rosary. (1 credit).
- * Saturday, Dec. 2nd First Saturday Devotion at Holy Redeemer @ 9 am (1 credit).

SERVICE CREDITS:

- * We need help with childcare from 5:45-7:15 pm on Nov. 27. Please call Miss Hannah if interested in helping!
- * American House in Flushing needs help with Bingo beginning in January. Bingo will be Saturdays at 2:30 pm. Please call ahead if you are able to help them (1 credit).

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION SHEET

All eighth graders who are receiving Confirmation this April must turn in their Sacramental Information Sheet as soon as possible. This vital sheet of information is in your Confirmation Handbook and can also be found at the parish website (strobertparish.org). It can be turned into your teacher or dropped off at the office. If you have any questions, please call Carol at 659-8556.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- **Nov. 12-17:** Food Pantry Collection
- **Nov. 26:** No Class
- **Nov. 27:** Vocations Talk for Parents @ 5:45 pm in the church. All parents should attend!
- **Nov. 29:** Mass of Enrollment for 7th gr. @ 6:45 pm
- **May 2:** Practice for Confirmation @ 5:15 pm in the church. Sponsors should be in attendance
- **May 3:** Rite of Confirmation at 7pm

*"We all have a vocation.
We believe that God
has placed us in this life
to fill a special need that
no one else can
accomplish."*

~St. Francis de Sales

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

National Vocations Awareness Week is a time set aside for parishes to foster a culture of holy vocations to marriage, the priesthood, and religious life. This year it is November 5-11 and we have things happening not just that week, but the whole month of November at our parish:

Seminarian/Novitiate Prayer Cards: During the week of National Vocation Awareness, *each religious ed. and school family will be receiving a picture of a seminarian or novitiate that will include a prayer for them. We are asking that you spiritually adopt that person preparing for the priesthood or religious life* (who knows? Someday that seminarian may be your pastor!). We ask that you add your person into your family's daily prayer and that throughout the year, you send him/her Christmas cards or little notes of affirmation. In this small, but powerful way, our families can help support those preparing for priesthood or religious life!

Parent Vocation Talk: *We are having a special presentation and discussion in the church on November 27, 5:45-7:15 pm led by Fr. John Linden and Dawn Hausmann from the Diocese of Lansing for all parents, grandparents, and guardians.* We want to build a culture where healthy marriage, priestly, and religious vocations can grow and thrive. It will be a great night!

Spiritual Bouquet: We are inviting the whole parish community to participate in a spiritual bouquet for our awesome priests, Fr. Gordon and Fr. Anthony! We are so blessed by these men and their vocations! A spiritual bouquet is an offering of prayer. Please fill out a card and return it to the Parish Office, drop it in the collection basket, or email it to socialmedia.strobert@gmail.com.

SPONSOR INFO NEEDED:

We are now requiring a letter from the sponsor's parish priest that says that he/she is a practicing Catholic; attending church regularly and active in his/her parish community. *These letters are due by January 1, 2018.* If you have any questions, please contact Miss Hannah.



Give the Gift of Prayer

Father Gordon

Father Anthony

(Please circle who you will be praying for)

With love and gratitude for your priesthood, we are offering the following prayers for you:

A Rosary

A Mass

An Hour of Eucharistic Adoration

A Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Other _____

Write a personal note below:

From:

“Vocations are born in prayer and from prayer; and only in prayer can they persevere and bear fruit.”

~Pope Francis