To: Faith Formation Parents and Guardians
From: Sr. Joanne
Date: Week of December 3, 2023
Re: Children's Christmas Pageant, First Eucharist Mass Schedule

## Children's Christmas Pageant

There is still time to sign up for the Christmas Pageant that will be held on Christmas Eve, December 24 at 4:00 PM Mass at the Prince of Peace Worship Site. The children will be reenacting the Christmas story. If your child would like to join us, please sign them up this week.

Children will need to attend ONE of the following practices either:
Saturday, December 9 at 1:00 PM at Prince of Peace Worship Site OR
Saturday, December 16 at 1:00 PM at Prince of Peace Worship Site
Costumes will be given out at Faith Formation and/or the practice.

## First Eucharist Mass Schedule

The First Eucharist Mass Schedule is available for parents select and sign up for your child's First Communion Mass time. Please come in to the Faith Formation Center when you bring your child this week to sign up.

## Advent Family Practices

As of Sunday, December 3, we have entered the season of Advent. This holy season reminds us to prepare for the coming of Christ, first into our own lives and then when he returns at the end of time.

Consider doing something special together as family to prepare for Christ's birthday. Here is a link from Dynamic Catholic which has 12 suggestions for Family Advent Activities. Just choose 1 that you would enjoy and do it as a family. You'll find yourself well prepared for Christmas.

Here is the link: https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/advent/family-advent-activities.html

## Holy Day of Obligation - December 8

Friday, December 8 is a Holy Day of Obligation. Catholics are obliged to attend Mass for this special day, recalling that Mary, Our Blessed Mother was conceived without sin.

The Mass Schedule is the following:
December 7 - 6:00 PM at Mount Carmel, 7:00 PM at St. John de La Salle or St. Mary's
December 8 - 7:15 AM Prince of Peace; 8:00 AM St. Joseph's; 8:30 AM Prince of Peace; 10:30 Divine Mercy; 12:00 St. John de La Salle; 12:10 St. Mary's; 6:00 PM St. Leo's

