

To: Faith Formation Parents and Guardians

From: Sr. Joanne

Date: Week of November 17, 2024

Re: Faith Fest, Faith Formation Schedule, Christmas Eve Children's Mass, Fire Lighting

Faith Fest

This week all families will be enjoying our first ever "Faith Fest." At least one parent must attend class with your elementary student on either **Thursday, November 21 or Sunday, November 24.**

Parents or guardians will begin with a speaker. Students will begin with a lesson with their teachers.

Following the lesson, parents and children will come together to make some items to take home to grow spiritually during the upcoming season of Advent.

Please note that these classes are longer than usual, and you will need to complete the tasks provided with your children. On Thursday, class will end at 8 PM. On Sunday, class will be ending at 12:00 PM.

Thanksgiving Blessings!

Thanksgiving blessings to you and your family as we pause to Thank God for His goodness to us. May you continue to know and experience God's love and goodness through the life of your family!

Faith Formation Schedule

Please note the following regarding our Faith Formation Schedule for the next week:

There are **NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES** on **Thursday, November 28 or Sunday, December 1.** Classes resume on Thursday, December 5 and continue as usual until Thursday, December 19.

Christmas Eve – Children's Mass

There will be a Christmas Eve Children's Mass at 4:00 PM at the Prince of Peace Worship Site. All children are invited to participate a shepherds, angels, kings, animals and a star. We will also need readers for the Mass from among our children. You will be able to sign up at Faith Formation beginning this week.

Second Annual Fire Lighting

All are invited to the lighting of the Advent Fire at St. Leo's on Saturday, November 30 at 2:30 PM. There will be a brief prayer service with the lighting of candles followed by light refreshments in the parish center. This is a wonderful way to begin spiritual preparation for Christmas.