## Catechist Notes

May 14, 2019

Saint of the Week:

Mary Our Mother





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We celebrate with all the children who received the Eucharist for the first time this past weekend

You will be dismissed early from Church and go to designated tables in Social Hall to hand out report cards, etc. We will also be asking 7<sup>th</sup> graders to help with serving cookies and lemonade.

The final PSR class will be Mass celebrating the end of the school year on <u>Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at 6:30 PM in Church for Both Session "A" and Session "B".</u>

All students are asked to attend this final session Mass along with their families. Students will be seated with their families for Mass. The St. Patrick Award will be presented at the end of Mass.

All First Communion and Confirmation students will be honored and can wear their special clothes. All students should be dressed for church!

Report cards, First Communion Certificates and Attendance Awards will be available at the <u>Ice Cream Social</u> in the Social hall after Mass. Each grade will go to special grade-level table to pick up report cards and awards. Please remind your students now of the time and <u>date! I will need servers, readers and gift bearers from 6, 7 or 8 grades! List for volunteers should be passed to other classes,</u>

Catechist Commitment Forms for Next Year were in your boxes. Please prayerfully consider teaching again next year. Registration Forms for 2019-2020 have been emailed to all present families.



Good Shepherd Sunday Jesus is the Good Shepherd. The Easter Season is a continual celebration of the one central mystery of Christianity; that Jesus gave his life for us by dying on the Cross. He saved us from our sins. "There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved" (Acts of the Apostles, 4: 12).

Applied to our practical lives, the message is clear. Whatever our state in life may be, we are all called to shepherd the sheep that have been entrusted to our care.

THANK YOU for this past year of shepherding the children of our parish.



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## AS THEY GO FORTH

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Oh God of great surprises,

I made it through after all,

But not without your help, of course.

Bless each child as he or she goes forth
To new discoveries, new growth,
And new and deeper faith in you (I hope).
Watch over these children
And keep your hand on them.
Who knows what they might do if you let go!
Give them the joy of faith in you,
The warmth of your love,
The hope of your eternal promises.
And let these gifts carry them into life

Ready for whatever challenges they must face.

Thank you for a year of growth for me.

I learned a lot, but I still have a long way to go.

Go forth with me, please,

I don't want to make the journey without you.

Amen.

(Gwen Costello)



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