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Items for children preparing for sacraments are teal blue and in italics, MPS = Minot Public Schools, Sac Prep = those preparing for the sacraments, [Christmas program/choir are optional & written inside brackets]

SEPTEMBER

9/20: 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes **9/27:** 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes

OCTOBER

10/4: 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes

Sun., 10/8: 1:00-2:30pm First Reconciliation Retreat (option 1) for those preparing for the sacrament

10/11: 4:00 & 5:30pm **Classes** w/ gr. 4 & 5 Altar Server

training, Prayer Station for all classes

Thu., 10/12: 6:00-7:30pm First Reconciliation Retreat (option 2) for those preparing for the sacrament Sat., 10/14, 4:00pm Mass or Sun., 10/15, 8:30 or 10:30am Mass: First Reconciliation Enrollment

10/18: NO FAITH FORMATION (MPS school vacation) **10/25:** 4:00 & 5:30pm **Classes** w/ Personal Safety lesson

NOVEMBER

11/1: NO FAITH FORMATION (All Saints holy day of obligation Mass is at 5:30pm)

11/8: 5:30-7:00pm Family Night - "Treasures of the Church: Eucharistic Miracles", Faith Formation attendance will be taken, open to all ages infant through senior citizens, activities designed especially for Faith Formation and Bishop Ryan students in grades K-5 and their families, parents or grandparents must attend with the children to help guide them to the activities, free stone-fired pizza made by Fr. Maus, prizes, science experiments on the Shroud of Turin and Eucharistic miracles, "saints", story tellers, Prayer Station and more!

11/15: 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes

11/22: NO FAITH FORMATION (MPS Thanksgiving vacation)

11/29: 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes

DECEMBER

[Sat., 12/2: 2:30pm Children's Christmas Program Practice]

12/6: 4:00 & 5:30pm **Classes, Prayer Station** for all classes, *First Reconciliation Practice during class,*

[5:00-5:30pm Children's Christmas Eve Choir Rehearsal]

Sat., 12/9: First Reconciliation Services at 9:00 & 10:30am

Sun., 12/10: 10:05am full group rehearsal of all Pre/K/1st gr. children from Sunday & Wednesday classes who sing during today's 10:30am Mass

12/13: 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes, [5:00-5:30pm Children's

Christmas Eve Choir Rehearsal]

[Sat., 12/16: 2:30pm Children's Christmas Program Practice]
Sun., 12/17: 11:45am Christmas Program Performance for
those who signed up to be in it; everyone is invited!

12/20: 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes

† Christmas Break: No classes Dec. 27 or Jan. 3

JANUARY

1/3: 5:30pm Faith Formation & Youth Volunteers Dinner

1/10: 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes **1/17:** 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes

Thu., 1/18: 6:00-7:30pm First Eucharist Retreat (option 1) for those preparing for the sacrament

Sun., 1/21: Gr. 3 students are Gift Bearers, 10:30am Mass, 1:00-2:30pm *First Eucharist Retreat (option 2)* for those preparing for the sacrament

1/24: 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes w/ Mass in Class (parents invited)

Sat., 1/27, 4:00pm Mass or **Sun., 1/28,** 8:30 or 10:30am Mass: **First Eucharist Enrollment**

Sun., 1/28: Gr. 4 students are Gift Bearers, 10:30am Mass

1/31: 4:00 & 5:30pm **Classes**

FEBRUARY

Sun., 2/4: Gr. 5 students are Gift Bearers, 10:30am Mass
2/7: 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes, Prayer Station for all classes
2/14: NO FAITH FORMATION (attend Ash Wednesday Mass)
2/21: 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes, gr. 5 confessions, gr. 4 Last Supper Intro

2/28: 4:00 & 5:30pm **Classes,** gr. 3 confessions, gr. 4 Last Supper Reenactment

MARCH

3/6: NO FAITH FORMATION (MPS spring break)

3/13: 4:00 & 5:30pm **Classes**, gr. 4 confessions, *First Eucharist Practice #1*

3/20: 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes, First Eucharist Practice #2

3/27: NO FAITH FORMATION (Holy Week)

APRIL

4/3: 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes, Sac. Prep. confessions Sat., 4/6: 9:00 & 10:30am First Eucharist Rehearsals Sat., 4/6 & Sun., 4/7: First Eucharist Masses

4/10: 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes **4/17:** 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes

4/24: 4:00 & 5:30pm Classes, final Prayer Station for all

<u>MAY</u>

5/1: 4:00 & 5:30pm **Classes** w/ 4:50 OR 6:20pm Awards (parents invited to Awards)

More fun opportunities!



Students in Kindergarten through grade 5 are invited to participate in our annual Children's Christmas program! Watch for a sign-up sheet in November.

Rehearsals are on two Saturdays, Dec. 2 and 16, from 2:30-3:30 p.m. in the dining room. The program is in the dining room ${\it Christmas}$ on Sunday, Dec. 17, at about 11:45 a.m. Program (after the 10:30 a.m. Mass). All are invited!

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Children invited to sing at **Christmas Eve Mass**

Does your child enjoy singing? Children in grades 2-8 are invited to sing with the adult choir for the 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass. Rehearsals are Dec. 6 and 13 from 5:00-5:30 p.m. in the choir area of the church. Mark your calendar and watch for the sign-up sheet in November.

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3rd, 4th & 5th grade students to present offertory gifts during the Mass

For three of the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Masses this year, children are asked to join with others in their grade level to bring forward the offertory gifts (unconsecrated hosts and wine, and financial gifts) during the Mass. The grades and dates are:

Jan. 21—3rd grade students; Jan. 28 — 4th grade students; Feb. 4 — 5th grade students

Mark your calendar: Family Night is Nov. 8!

Treasures of the Church - Eucharistic Miracles

All are invited to this free event for families, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Includes: stone-fired pizza made by Fr. Maus, science station exploring the Shroud of Turin and Eucharistic miracles, storytellers describing the miracles, "Saints" telling why they love the Eucharist so much, and much more! Watch for details.

Emmaus Youth Retreat

For all students in grades 6-9, and older students who are preparing for Confirmation

Sun., Nov. 19, at Bishop Ryan School Noon to 6:00 p.m.

> \$25/person, scholarships available through the Faith Formation office. More details to come!



Sun., Sept. 17, 11:30-1:00pm Come for food, fellowship and fun! Check the bulletin for details and what you should bring.

Altar Server training is Oct. 11 & 15

Children and teenagers (grade 4 and up) are invited to be Altar Servers for our Masses. We have training for the younger students during Faith Formation classes on Wed., Oct. 11 (at 4:00 and 5:30 p.m.) and Sun., Oct. 15 (at 9:35 a.m.). Bishop Ryan 4th and 5th graders are invited to the training, too. Current Altar Servers may also attend as a refresher. If your child is older than 5th grade or cannot attend training, please contact Deacon Steve regarding training at 701-839-6834 or email him at admin@olgminot.org.

Mass in Class Schedule: All are invited!

Wednesday, Jan. 24, is the Mass in Class day for children who attend the Wednesday, grades K-5, classes. Fifth grade students lead the ministries for the Masses (reading, gift bearing, etc.). The Masses are at 4:00 and 5:30 p.m. during our regular class times.

Wednesday, Apr. 24, is the Mass in Class for middle school students. We'll gather for Mass at 7:00 p.m., with 8th grade students leading the ministries. Since this is the final day of classes for these students, awards will be presented at the end of the Mass. Everyone is invited to these Masses.