



St. Michael Catholic Church

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Postscript to Parents

October 23rd & 24th, 2011

Implementation of the new third edition of the Roman Missal

Father Don will be giving an introductory presentation on the new Roman Missal at all the masses this weekend. As many of you know, we will begin using this new translation of the Missal on the First Sunday of Advent, the weekend of November 26 & 27, 2011.



Additionally, I invite all of you to be present for the presentations that Chris Orf (Music Director) & Matt Pozen (Adult Faith Formation Director) will give at **7:00pm in the church on Monday, October 24th and Monday, November 7th.**

A Mass Prayer for Families

Lord Jesus Christ,
Your gift of Eucharist is beyond us.
It is beyond our imaginations,
beyond our sense,
beyond our ability to comprehend.
Increase in us, your family, our desire to receive you,
and share you in our lives.
The Mass is central to our faith, Lord.
It is where we will find you; may it be where you find us,
always seeking to show you our commitment
to live life as your children.
Amen

ENROLLMENT SUNDAY

ENROLLMENT SUNDAY will take place during all Sunday Masses on **October 23rd**. Father Don will pray over the 2nd graders and will distribute an “Angel on my Shoulder” pin to each 2nd grader. Parents received the “little people figurines” in mail and each child should bring it to church with them (to any of the masses that weekend). The colored pictures will be put out at the entrance to the church so parishioners can take one and pray for that child as he/she prepares for First Reconciliation and First Communion.

IMPORTANT for all attending MONDAY’s RE

No RE class on Monday, October 31st, 2011 – Halloween
Instead
We will have RE class on Monday, November 28th, 2011
(Monday after Thanksgiving weekend)

Chicago’s WTTW presents **CATHOLICISM** a groundbreaking new documentary series for public television.

Join Father Robert Barron, theologian, author, and sought-after speaker, as he illuminates what Catholics believe and why... on your local public television affiliate.

Thursday, Oct 27 at 8pm & Sunday, October 30 at 4pm

Episode 4 – Our Tainted Nature’s Solitary Boast: Mary, the Mother of God

Thursday, November 3 at 8pm & Sunday, November 6 at 4pm

Episode 5—The Indispensable Men: Peter, Paul and the Missionary Adventure

Dear Parent,

St. Michael will offer **RAINBOWS** – a support group for children in grades Kindergarten through High School experiencing grief due to divorce, parental death or other family crisis.



Fall 2011 Tuesdays 6:30PM-7:15PM							
Oct 25	Nov 1	Nov 8	Nov 15	<i>Skip a week</i>	Nov 29	Dec 6	Dec 13

Spring 2012 Tuesdays 6:30PM-7:15PM							
Jan 31	Feb 7	Feb 14	Feb 21	Feb 28	<i>Skip a week</i>	March 13	March 20

If you have any questions, or require further information on the RAINBOWS program, please call Magdalena Glaz, Director of Religious Education at 630-682-3650.



An Important Reminder!!
For All **4th Grade RE** Children and their Families

Large Group Assembly

Sunday, October 23rd

For: **All 4th Grade RE Children and their Families**

Time: **8:45am-10:00am * OR 10:30am-11:45am**

* **Note:** The Monday classes will be asked to attend the Assembly on Sunday 8:45AM. This will give working parents the opportunity to attend with their child! *(4th grade RE will not meet the next day)*

Place: **2nd Floor of the Faith Center**

This assembly is part of our 4th grade RE curriculum and will kick-off our service project for the year as we focus on feeding the hungry. The year will culminate with our family outing to the “Feed My Starving Children” packing facility on March 10th (11:30am-1:30pm); (2:00pm-4:00pm) & March 17th (11:30am-1:30pm); (4:30pm-6:30pm).

Parent involvement is an essential part of this exciting new project!

At this Assembly we will:

- Hold a **FOOD DRIVE** for our local People’s Resource Center
- Share donuts and refreshments together
- Watch a video from “Feed My Starving Children” and learn all about how we can all help alleviate starvation
- Find out how each child and family will be asked to help us reach our Class Goal toward funding t-shirts for all of the 4th graders
- Celebrate together as a community of faith

Please bring non-perishable food items with you to the Assembly for donation to Peoples’ Resource Center to help with local hunger.

RSVP:

Please call to let us know how many family members will be attending.

Thank you!

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“If a brother or sister has nothing to wear and has not food for the day, and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, keep warm and eat well”, but you do not give them the necessities of the body, what good is it?”

NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Training for those wishing to become Extraordinary Ministers of Communion will be held on **Saturday, October 22nd, at 2:00pm in the Church**. This training is open to any practicing Catholic, age 16 or older, who would like to assist our Priests with the Distribution of the Body and Blood of Our Lord to our St. Michael Community.

If you cannot make this date, but would still like to become an Extraordinary Minister, please leave your name and phone number in the Parish Office and someone will get back to you.Help is needed at all of the Masses.