



Notes from the PREP Office

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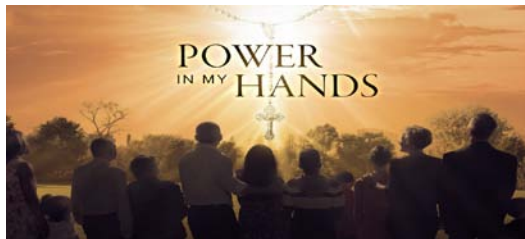
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PREP Notes

“POWER IN MY HANDS”

As a reminder, screening of the film, “Power in My Hands”, a film about the power of praying the Rosary, will be shown at 7pm on October 29 in the church and will conclude around 8:30pm. Please try to make this a family event for you and your children. It will be a valuable encounter for everyone. Please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter for more information.



Speaking of the Rosary....

All PREP Sessions enjoyed their time last week praying the Rosary together. Thank you Mr. Casanova for leading us in prayer on Tuesday!

Mrs. DiDonato’s class wore white to represent Europe, home of the Holy Father, shepherd of the world. Great job on the homemade shirts!



Upcoming events:

- **Tomorrow, October 23rd** : Our **Tuesday** session in grades 3-6 will receive the sacrament of Confession. In the event that you arrive late, please bring your child **directly to church**. Classes leave for the church right after opening prayer.
- **October 31:** There are no PREP classes. Happy Halloween!
- **November 1: All Saints Day**
Thursday, November 1st is the feast of All Saints – a holyday of obligation.

Mass will be celebrated at 6:30 and 9:00 am; 12:10 and 7:00 pm. If you are unable to participate in the Mass here at MMR, please check the Mass schedule of our neighboring parishes, or a church nearby your work place.



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First Holy Communion



Thank you for submitting First Holy Communion applications. Space is available at ALL Masses at this time. **Reminder:** You will be notified **only** if we cannot honor the Mass you request!

Sunday Mass Schedule Change

Sunday Mass Schedule to Change in January

In recent years, there have been informal discussions about the scheduled time of our last Sunday Mass. We average about 250 congregants each week and struggle to provide a sufficient number of liturgical ministers (lectors, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, music ministers, altar servers, and ushers) at the 12:30 pm Mass.

After discussing this pastoral issue more formally with our parish staff, Parish Pastoral Council, and Liturgy Committee, **Monsignor Conway has made the decision to change our Sunday Mass schedule effective Sunday, January 6, 2019. The Vigil Mass on Saturday evening will remain at 5:15 pm. The schedule on Sunday will be 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, and 12:00 pm.**

Hopefully the half-hour change to an earlier time for our last Mass of the day will make it possible for more liturgical ministers to step up to assist in order to ensure the manner of Eucharistic celebration prescribed by the General Instruction of the Roman Missal. Staff members have contacted those who have requested Sunday Mass intentions so that they are aware of this change.

This coming spring, First Holy Communions will be scheduled at 12:00 pm; not 12:30 pm. Also, Baptisms scheduled for Sundays will begin shortly after the conclusion of the 12:00 pm Mass. Included in this year's Advent/Christmas mailing, every registered household will receive a refrigerator magnet listing the new Mass times. This will serve as a reminder until we all get used to the revised times.

MMR Parish Photo Directory

Thurs., Nov. 8th to Sat., Nov. 10th
& Mon., Nov. 19th to Weds., Nov. 21st



We are now scheduling appointments for the Parish Photo Directory, to be published in 2019.

**Photos will be delivered before
the Christmas Holiday!**

*Additional dates will be scheduled
in the Spring of 2019.*

Watch for the sign-up tables in the narthex after weekend Masses, or sign-up on-line: [Click Here](#)

Thank You!

Mrs. Higgins 4th grade class learned that clothing the naked includes caring for the needs of a person's whole body.

Thank you to all who contributed so generously to making Mrs. Higgins 4th grade class project a beautiful success!

Packages were assembled for our friends at our sister parish, St. Helena's in Philadelphia.

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