



Monday Children and Family Faith Formation Information

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Dear Families,

Welcome! To the 2011-12 Children and Family Faith Formation sessions at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish.

Sessions begin the week of September 18, 2011. Each Session day and time for the first week will be 45 minutes for the children, Parents are asked to come the last 15 minutes of the session time for the Beginning of the Year Celebration.

Sunday Catechesis of the Good Shepherd ages 3-5

September 18, 2011
Time : 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.
Time: 11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Where: The Atrium located in the preschool building.

Monday Catechesis of the Good Shepherd ages 3-5

September 19, 2011
Time: 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.

Where: The Atrium located in the preschool building.

Monday Catechesis of the Good Shepherd ages 6-9

September 19, 2011
Time: 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Time: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Where: The Atrium located in the preschool building.

Monday Bible Club Grades 4 - 6

September 19, 2011
Time: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Where: The Fine Arts Room located in the preschool building

Tuesday Catechesis of the Good Shepherd ages 6-9

September 20, 2011
Time: 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Where: The Atrium located in the preschool building.

Wednesday Catechesis of the Good Shepherd ages 6-9

September 21, 2011
Time: 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Time: 4:00—5:00 p.m.

Where: The Atrium located in the preschool building.

A New Program Here at OLMC just Women!

She Shall Be Called Woman was designed as a companion program to That Man Is You. It reveals the beauty and dignity of the true feminine genius. The program will be focusing on the mystery of woman revealed in the life of Our Lady, by showing us how to avoid the polemics of our day to reveal the mystery of woman as she exists in the mind of God.

The program will be meeting Wednesday evenings at 7-8:30 pm with child-care provided. There is a \$15.00 fee for materials. The program consists of two seasons for 9 weeks each. Nine weeks in the Fall and 9 weeks in the Spring. The first meeting will begin September 21, 2011.

Registration will be available after all Masses on Sept. 10-11.

For any questions regarding the program you may email Carey Gass at cncgass@yahoo.com or visit the web site at www.paradisusdei.org.



Absences: Please contact the office at **480-344-5226**, or **pam@olmctempe.com** if your child is going to be absent. If your child has three (3) unexcused absences in a row they may be dropped. **Unexcused absence means we have not heard from you to report your child has been absent.** Usually circumstances need to be discussed with the coordinator, Pam Myskowski.



Food for Thought

Don't forget! When you are purchasing your Food for Thought Cards after mass, tell them you are an **R.E. family** so they will credit our account. This is a great year round fundraiser for our program with proceeds going directly to benefit the R.E. students, so please be as supportive as you can.



Fall Break
No Faith Formation Sessions
the week of
October 9 - 12, 2011 and
October 31, 2011



Safety

Parents must sign in their child(ren) in and out of class every-week. The sign in and out books are posted by each classroom door.

Yearly Faith Formation Fees

At least 25% of the total yearly fees per family are due on or before the first session.
An invoice will be emailed to each family with total yearly fees due by Wednesday, September 14, 2011
Monthly payments are acceptable for balances due through April 30, 2011. Please contact Pam with any questions.



Mass Attendance

*Children and Family Faith sessions **do not** replace or count towards Mass attendance each week. Children in grades 1st grade and up are to be attending Mass weekly on a regular basis.*



“Big Sunday” Liturgy of the Word for Children (Kindergarten - 3 grade)

Begins Sunday, September 18, 2011

During the 9:00 a.m. Mass

No registration is required

Share your Talents...

Children and Family Faith Formation Volunteers Needed:

Calling Dads... Liturgy of the Word Catechist for Sundays
during the 9:00 a.m. Mass

Now forming 3 teams of 3-4 Dads.

Just a once a month commitment!

To share your talents contact: Pam at
pam@olmctempe.com or 480-710-6014

Pam Myskowski Coordinator

Pam has been with Mt. Carmel for 20 years coordinating the Children and Family Faith Formation (R.E.) Processes. She is married and has two adult children. Pam is available to you as a resource, coordinating, and implementing the Children and Family Faith Formation processes. As well as the Lead Catechist for several of the sessions, Please call her at 480-344-5226 or e-mail: pam@olmctempe.com if you have any questions or concerns throughout the year. Your comments are welcome and appreciated!

Office Location

The Children and Faith Formation Office is in the Parish Office Building located South of the Church and Mt. Carmel. School.

Office Hours

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Monday 8:30 a.m.- 8:00 p.m. (Beginning September 19th)

Tuesday 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Thursday: 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. (*may vary*)

Friday: Closed

Saturday: Closed



Donations Needed to help feed his Sheep... *Thank You!*

September and October:
Is Monday Sessions time to donate:

Water Color Paints
Paper Towels
Apple Juice
Pretzels
Dry Fruit Snacks
Goldfish Crackers
Animal Crackers
Gluten Free Snacks

Children's Stewardship Activities

Children's Stewardship Logo Contest: Children ages: Kindergarten – 8th grade design a Logo on an 8 1/2 x 11 white paper. Illustrate your own personal interpretation of what stewardship means to you. Please include your name and telephone.

Logo Designs are to be turned to
the Parish office by Thursday, September 22, 2011

Children's Ministry:

Monthly Children's Mass: The First Sunday of each month at the 9:00 a.m. Mass
For Lectors, Greeters/Ushers, Gift Bearers and Children's Choir.

Children ages 1st - 8th grade are encouraged take part in this ministry.

To Volunteer for the: **Children's Choir** contact Kim at kim@olmctempe.com.
For **Lectors, Greeters/Ushers, or Gift Bearers** contact Pam at pam@olmctempe.com.

Next Children's Mass is October 2nd.

St. Vincent de Paul Donation: Canned or Non-perishable food items. Please place items in the donation basket located outside the Atrium door, Thank You!



Prayer for the Month

*Jesus,
 You call is to not only to learn
 more about our faith
 but to live our faith each day.
 Help us to build a firm faith foundation
 So that it will withstand the
 challenges in our lives.
 Thank You for always being
 there for us.*

Amen.



Mary's Club

Mary's Club Meets
 the third Thursday of each
 month September - April
 Open to all Parish
 Girls Kindergarten - 6th Grade

**Next meeting is
 September 15, 2011**

Time: 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
Where: Atrium located in
 the preschool building.
 Each month's activities
 will include a teaching on a
 virtue, craft and
 service project.

Rules and Regulations for Arizona Rosary Celebration 2011 Poster Contest

Theme: *Our Lady of Guadalupe Visiting My Family*

Directions: Students are to submit a free-hand drawing reflecting theme of
Our Lady of Guadalupe Visiting My Family

Rules and Regulations:

1. **Paper** 8½ by 11"
2. **Art Work** Is to be done free-hand by student
3. **Materials** May use ink, crayons, paints, pencils, or markers only
4. **Name** The student's name, school or church, home phone number, age and grade **MUST BE on the back lower right hand corner.**
5. **Due Date** **Thursday, October 13, 2011 by 12 Noon** or postmarked by **October 13.**
 All pictures are to be mailed to or dropped off at:

St. Joseph's Parish
 11001 N. 40th St.
 Phoenix, AZ 85028
 (Attention: Donna Wiedoff)

6. **Theme** ***Our Lady of Guadalupe Visiting My Family.***
 Students to submit a free-hand drawing depicting this theme.
7. **Winners** **24 winners** will be selected. Posters will be judged in the following categories:

K and 1st grade	2nd and 3rd grades
4th and 5th grades	6th, 7th and 8th grades

Most Rev. Thomas J. Olmsted, Bishop of Phoenix, will present winners with certificates at a *Pizza Party Luncheon* in December at the Diocesan Pastoral Center.

We would like to thank all schools, R.E. programs and teachers for their devotion and enthusiasm which have made this annual Poster Contest a success. All drawings become the property of Arizona Rosary Celebration. Winners will be announced in November. For further information, please contact **Donna Wiedoff, Poster Contest Coordinator, at 602-292-1294**

ARIZONA Rosary Celebration 2011

Tucson
 Saturday
October 15
 St. Augustine Cathedral
 10:00 AM - 12:15 PM

Most Rev. Gerald F. Kicanas
 Presiding

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Sponsored by The Knights of Columbus
 assisted by The Diocese of Tucson

Phoenix
 Sunday
October 16
 Phoenix Convention Center
 2:00 - 4:15 PM

Most Rev. Thomas J. Olmsted
 Presiding

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Sponsored by The Knights of Columbus
 assisted by The Legion of Mary

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Rev. John Phalen, CSC
 Keynote Speaker

Honoring Our Lady under her title **Our Lady of Guadalupe**

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