



# January 2007 Newsletter

## Saint Joseph Parish School of Religion

Dear Parents,

At the beginning of a new venture, we have a can-do attitude. At the beginning of a new year, we think about our hopes and dreams for the future. That's why making resolutions is a popular exercise at this time of the year.

During these early days of the New Year, think about gathering as a family - around cups of hot chocolate and a bowl of popcorn - and making a list of Family Faith Resolutions. Instead of trying to think of something "new," however, think of the good that is already part of your family and resolve to increase that goodness. God's grace flourishes there in your home. Your kindness, patience, generosity, and compassion with one another is the living of your faith every day; it's the core of Jesus' teachings; and it's what your child, the other students, and our catechists focus on, in some way, during every class.

Your Family Faith Resolutions are a vital bridge connecting your child's religious education within your household - the domestic church -and the religious education of your child in the classroom.

Sincerely in Christ,

**Steven M. Fischer**

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### **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:**

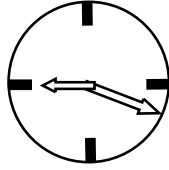
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| January 14 | Class   |
| January 16 | 2nd Grade<br>First Reconciliation Celebration<br>7:00 p.m. Church |
| January 21 | Class   |
| January 28 | Class   |

### **People Catching**

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The miracle of the great catch of fish is a powerful sign of the reign of God. It is also a constant reminder of the importance of vocations - the call of the faithful to holiness and service and the special call some experience to ordination and/or religious life. It is never too early to help God "lower the net" of vocation awareness into children's lives. "People catching" is not a career choice. It is the answer to a divine call.

Today Sr. Julaine spoke to each grade about vocation awareness - ask your children what they discussed!

# PSR Time Change



In a couple of weeks there will be a survey given out at church in regards to mass times. Since the addition of the evening mass the thought of changing the mass times was always in the air. This change will take affect during lent and that means we need to think about our PSR time.

The survey is to either have 7AM, 9AM, 11AM and the evening mass or 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30AM and the evening mass. As you can see there will be a 2 hour gap between mass times.

We would like to extend our PSR time in one of two ways.

Below you will find a survey - please fill out and return ASAP!

## PSR TIME CHANGE SURVEY

With the change of Mass times – PSR will also change it’s time since there will be a 2 hour gap between masses. We would like to take advantage of this extra time and would like your opinion!

Please think of not only the length of the class but also the difference between PSR and the following mass. The longer the gap the harder it will be to make sure your family goes to the next mass. Please be honest and open with your decision and return this no later than January 28<sup>th</sup> as this change will have to take affect during lent which will be February 25<sup>th</sup>! Once the church decides on the actual time I will let everyone know of how the PSR has changed based on this survey. Thank you for your time and consideration in this! If you have any questions please call me at (859) 442-0212 or email me at [stjoepsr@hotmail.com](mailto:stjoepsr@hotmail.com).

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### Which class time would you prefer?

(based on the times being changed to every hour 7,9, and 11 am)

9 AM – 10:45 am (1hr45min) \_\_\_\_\_ A

9:15 AM – 10:45 AM (1hr30min) \_\_\_\_\_ B

9 AM – 10:15 am (current time 1hr15min) \_\_\_\_\_ C

(Keep in mind that the mass will start at 9AM and the next mass time would be at 11Am for this example. So for example “A” there would be only 15min. between PSR and mass like there currently is. For example “B” there would be 30min. between PSR and mass. For example “C” there would be 45min. between PSR and mass.)