

“BREAKING OPEN THE WORD” every Sunday for FAMILIES not just children after 10:00 am
Mass.

Theme: We rejoice in God’s incredible generosity

Focus Object: Coins Workers in vineyard

Wed. Sept. 20, 2017 Prepare for Sunday, Sept. 24th, (25th Sunday OT - A)

Scripture: Isaiah 55:6-9

Ps. 145

Phil. 1:20, 24, 27

Mt. 20:1-16

Theme: Resolve to do the things of God not merely say that we will

Focus Object: Different names of Jesus

Wed. Sept. 27, 2017 Prepare for Sunday, Oct. 1st (26th Sunday OT-A)

Scripture: Ez18: 25-28

Phil 2: 1-11

Matt. 21:28-32

(Begin to think about Saints for Oct. 25th and Sunday Oct. 29th)

Theme: Do we accept the message from God in Jesus? Or are we among those who reject
it?

Focus Object: Grapes / Vine

Wed. Oct. 4, 2017 Prepare for Sunday, Oct. 8th (27th Sunday OT-A)

Scripture: Is 5:1-7

Phil 4:6-9

Mt 21:33-43

(rejection invite to party)

Theme: May we accept the invitation to the Lord's banquet

Focus Object: Invitations

Wed. Oct. 11, 2017 Prepare for Sunday, Oct. 15th (28th Sunday OT-A)

Scripture: Mt 22:1-14

Is 25:6-10

Ps 23

Phil 4:12-14, 19, 20

(Invited to a wedding put on baptismal dress)

Theme: Jesus reminds us to put God first in our lives

Focus Object: Tax Coins Render to Caesar

Wed. Oct. 18, 2017 Prepare for Sunday, Oct. 22nd (29th Sunday OT-A)

Scripture: Is 45:1, 4, 6

P 96

1Thes 1:1-5

Mt. 22: 15-21

Theme: Jesus tells us to love God and to love our neighbor

Focus Object: Hearts All our life is based on Love

Wed. Oct. 25, 2017 Prepare for Sunday, Oct. 29th (30th Sunday OT-A) All Saints Mass

Scripture: Mt 22:34-40

Ex 22:20-26

Ps 18

1Thes 1:5-8

(which commandment is not important?)

Theme: Live carefully. You may be the only Gospel your neighbor reads.

Focus Object: Tassel / for holy people in Jesus day

Wed. Nov. 1, 2017 All Saints Holy Day

Prepare for Sunday Nov. 5th (31st Sunday OT-A) All Saints & All Souls

Scripture: Mt 23:1-2

(We will try to celebrate Mass-Holy day of obligation)

Theme: Be prepared! We do not know the day or hour

Focus Object: Get Ready oil lamp wedding

Wed. Nov. 8, 2017 Prepare for Sunday Nov. 12th (32nd Sunday OT-A)

Scripture: Mt. 25:1-13

Wis 6:12-16

Ps 63

1Thes 4:13-18

(bridesmaids fall asleep)

Theme: We thank God for our talents and resolve to use them well

Focus Object: Gifts / talent

Wed. Nov. 15, 2017 Prepare for Sunday Nov. 19th (33rd Sunday OT-A)

1st grade bless Advent Wreath

Scripture: Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

Ps 128

1Thes 5:1-6

(Name Gifts Talent Thank You)

November 22, 2017 NO CLASS THANKSGIVING

Sunday, November 26, 2017 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

(No Class to prepare)

Last year we did quite a bit with Jesse Tree—We can put up --- But let's stress the old antiphons

Theme: We long for the coming of Jesus

Focus Object: Pot or Clay

Wed. Nov. 29, 2017 Prepare for Sunday, Dec. 3, 2017 (1st (Advent B)

Tomorrow, St. Andrew Scripture: Is 63:16-17, 64:2-7

Nov. 30, 2017 Ps 80:2-3, 15-16

1 Cor 1:3-9

Mark 13:33-37

(O Wisdom Bird or eye of God)

Theme: Our God is near!

Focus Object: St. Nicolas

Wed. Dec. 6, 2017 Prepare for Sunday, Dec. 10, 2017 (2nd Advent B)

Feast of St. Nicolas

Prepare for Friday, Dec. 8, 2017 Immaculate Conception

(Trying to get someone for St. Nicholas) O Lord and ruler (burning bush, tablets)

(O Root of Jesse is a flower)

Theme: Joy forever is ours! Let us prepare by giving joy

Focus Object: Lamb of God

Wed. Dec. 13, 2017 Prepare for Sunday, Dec. 17, 2017 (3rd Advent

First Day

Hanukkah

Scripture: Is 61:1-2, 10-11

Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54

Ithes 5:16-24

John 1:6-8, 19-28

(O Key of David) (Key) (O Dawn of the East) (Rising Sun) (O King of Nations) (Crown)

Theme: With Mary we say Yes!

Focus Object: Yes

Wed. Dec. 20, 2017 Prepare for Dec. 24 Christmas Eve

Scripture: Sm 7:1-5, 8-11, 16

Ps 89

Rom 16:25-27

Lk 1:26-38

(Emmanuel (crib)

NO CLASS DECEMBER 27, 2017

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2018 SUNDAY JANUARY 7, 2018

RETURN FOR SECOND TERM

Dear Inquirers, Catechumens, Candidates, Companions, Post Confirmation Students and those children preparing for a Sacrament,

Formal classes begin on Wednesday, September 20th in the Faith Formation Center at 4:15-5:45 pm. It is most important to make arrangements now to attend every class. If an unforeseen event makes attendance impossible, please request material you missed after Sunday "breaking open the Word".

One class builds upon the next, therefore it is important to be prepared each week. The classes will be divided in the following way for the First Quarter.

RCIA: (Candidate and Catechumens)

Exploring God's loving care for us and His constant call throughout history to be in relationship with Him. Children will learn to read the Bible and become acquainted with Scripture from Creation and culminating in the coming of the Promised Savior. This search thru history will be coupled with Sunday Scripture readings and lives of some of the Saints. The lessons will stress Call and Promise throughout history and in our own lives.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Explore God's great love and mercy throughout history and in their own lives. They will learn the mechanics of the Sacrament of Penance and will have an opportunity to receive this great Grace during the Advent Season.

LEARNING ABOUT THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

The Ten Commandments are God's loving guidelines for living a safe and happy life, by studying them and following them, the children will grow closer to God and to one another.

LECTIONARY BASED CATECHESIS

Companion Middle Graders will be engaged in a study of Sunday Scripture and worship which they apply to own lives. To dramatizations, music, current events, videos, the children will be helped make good choices based upon moral reasoning and social justice.

YOU

High School: You: Life, Love and the Theology of the Body. A program that teaches teens the true joy and freedom of being human.

