

Our Lady of the Assumption
Religious Education Program
Parish Council Report
December 2023

Religious Education will be ending the first half of the year on Tuesday December 19th.

Thank you, Father Paul Richmond, for stopping in on Tuesday November 28th to speak with the Level 8 students. The children enjoy having you come for discussions on various topics that are on their curious minds.

On December 5th, Levels 4-8 received the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

The children also made a craft on the Immaculate Conception, of which that was discussed with all children present in the parish center lower level.

The Advent candle was lit for the first week of Advent. A review of the meaning of Advent, the symbols of the wreath and the candle colors were also discussed. A question was posed to the children that evening. Where can you bring God into your family's daily life, and follow through it as a family?

This week as well as next we will continue to light the Advent wreath as a group.

This Tuesday will be a Catechists meeting prior to classes at 6:30pm.

The children will be learning as a group about St. Juan Diego, and we will be celebrating Our Lady of Guadalupe.

The children will also be making Christmas cards for the Veterans at Castle Point, as well as having a Christmas party.

On December 19th the First half of the year report cards will be distributed.

There will be no class on Tuesday December 26th due to the Christmas Break. Classes will resume on Tuesday January 2nd.

The Christmas Pageant is underway with practice being set for this Tuesday evening. Choir practice is to be announced.

We have about 12 children who are participating in the pageant as readers, choir or as participants for the pageant itself. Thank you to Megan Booth, Lynne Cawley Holly Walsh, Tyler Odell & Mildred Pitt for once again volunteering their time to run this event.

The children have participated in the Knights of Columbus "KEEP Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest again this year, there were 11 entries from OLA.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Herschel, CRE