RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

CCD: Catholic Christian Discipleship

SHELDON:

Grades K-10 will meet every Wednesday from 6:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Your next class is January 5^{th} .

GILMAN:

Grades 2-5: will meet every Wednesday from 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Your next class is January 5^{th} .

Grades 6-10: will meet on Wednesdays from 6:15p.m.-7:30p.m. Your next class is January 12th.

Confirmation Students: Remember to turn-in your weekly Mass review and attendance form to Fr. Vijay after Mass.



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Jesus, Mary and Joseph make up the Holy Family which is a model for all Christian families. The Feast of the Holy Family occurs on the first Sunday after Christmas. On this Feast, we celebrate the family life of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Consider the Child Jesus, Mary and Joseph as examples for all children, mothers and fathers. What do we imagine their home life to have been like as Jesus grew up?

Jesus' laughter filled the Holy Family's humble home in Nazareth and His laughter was always filled with love. Mary and Joseph treasured Jesus' laughter, from His infant coos to the free laughter of His boyhood. At times, Jesus would fall into a silence with prayers, and Mary and Joseph would know Jesus was speaking to His heavenly Father.

The Holy Family greeted the morning with prayers to God. Joseph would chant aloud the psalms, Mary would say, "Let it be done according to your word," and Jesus would say to His heavenly Father, "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

Remember the story when Jesus was twelve and Mary and Joseph couldn't find Him in Jerusalem? Going to the Temple, they were amazed to find Jesus speaking to the teachers. The teachers were astonished that Jesus spoke with wisdom beyond His years. Mary and Joseph asked Jesus why He caused them so much worry and He answered, "Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" Mary and Joseph were joyful to have found Him and Jesus returned with His family to Nazareth. There, Jesus was obedient to His mother and foster father. He learned Joseph's trade as a carpenter. Together, the Holy Family prayed and worked and lived ordinary lives, offering everything they did with love to the heavenly Father.

This may be a time to evaluate our own family life. Do we take time to be present as a family? Do we make family time a priority? Do you eat a meal together each day? Let's make stronger commitments to family time. Have some family fun! Make a list of family activities and choose a regular date for each week (like Sunday afternoon). Good things do happen with families!

May God bless all our families in the New Year.

Happy Feast of the Holy Family!

OUR WEEKLY GIVING

	COL	LLECTED	* <u>NEEDED</u> *							
	December 18/19									
Ss. Peter & Paul										
Adult Envelopes	\$	868.00	885.00							
Loose	\$	324.00	77.00							
Total	\$	1,192.00	*962.00*							
Month of December										
Building Fund =	\$	1,427.00	*1,500.00/mo*							
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St. Stanislaus										
Adult Envelopes	\$	500.00	423.00							
Loose	\$	10.00	67.00							
Total	\$	510.00	*490.00*							
Month of December										
Building Fund =	\$	753.00	*417.00/mo*							
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St. John										
Adult Envelopes	\$		750.00							
Loose	\$	112.00	48.00							
Total	\$	797.00	*798.00*							
Month of December										
Building Fund =	\$	305.00	*667.00/mo*							
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St. Michael										
Adult Envelopes	\$	385.00	250.00							
Loose	\$	50.00	30.00							
Total	\$	435.00	*280.00*							
Month of December										
Building Fund =	\$	105.62	*100.00/mo*							
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*The weekly Envelope & monthly Building Fund totals **needed** are based on the fiscal year budget set by each Parish Council.

Christ has no BODY but YOURS

Catholic Services Appeal 2021-2022

	Assessment		Payments & Pledges		Amount Due				
Ss. Peter & Paul	\$	10,960.00	\$ 4	,120.00	\$	6,840.00			
St. John	\$	8,639.00	\$3	,000.00	\$	5,639.00			
St. Stanislaus	\$	5,436.00	\$ 3	3,050.00	\$	2,386.00			
St. Michael	\$	2,953.00	\$	300.00	\$	2,653.00			

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