

\*~\*~So this note is mostly about Wednesday Scheduling but there is a \*message\* for Sunday families too!~\*~\*

So it dawned on me late last night why I forgot to send home announcements about February's schedule being a bit askew... I didn't \*really\* forget, what actually happened was that I was denied the opportunity to forget!☺ In case you may have forgotten too ... we had a SNOW day on January 22nd so any note that would've went home did not have the opportunity to do so ..

so, let's just get on with the note about **February's** schedule.

In **February** we **will** meet the first Wednesday of the month because we will **not** be meeting for CLASSES on the LAST Wednesday of the Month because of **ASH WEDNESDAY**..

We expect that you will all be attending Ash Wednesday Mass at 5:30, therefore the children will not be able to have/be in class at that time.

## February 2020

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As you see on the calendar **WEDNESDAY Feb 19<sup>th</sup>** is highlighted in **PINK** .. that is our **PARISH LENT NIGHT**. I'm not sure that we've explained these nights properly, so I will take this opportunity to do so.

These Parish Nights (**Advent** and **Lent**) are to be considered **included** in the the **Faith Formation** of your children & youth, as well as yourself, parents/grandparents -ie adults. These nights are for our parish community to come together, for fellowship **and** faith formation.

We are never fully formed in our knowledge of our Catholic faith or spritual direction. We never truly

graduate from educating ourselves in our faith and relationship with our Lord. We offer these opportunities as a different way to experience, learn and explore Catholicism, family and community.

We know how busy everyone is and how nice it is to have a "night off", yet, we look around and begin to realize that if we don't make this - our faith - important, make it a priority, and show our children what it is to be Catholic, how to be Catholic, why to be Catholic and to spend this time together as a family- a parish family, to connect with each other, our faith and our Lord. ... if we chose to **NOT** make this matter, then **it's on us** as to why our children, our youth, decide it's **not** important to believe in **God**, **not** important to have a relationship with **Christ**, **not** important to seek out the **Holy Spirit** for guidance.

Our children & youth are watching, learning and modeling their life around what we **SHOW** them is important and worthy. Where YOU spend your time, money and attention is where your family will form their opinions and values and develop an understanding of what's really indispensable.

We want to offer another opportunity *besides* Sunday Mass and Religious Education & Youth Group to form our lives in and with our Faith. **Faith Formation** is offered in many ways for all ages because ALL AGES need formation. As I said earlier, we are never fully formed.. there is always new knowledge to be learned, more wisdom to begin to understand and a plethora information to still be discovered. Join us with your family, friends, neighbors - join us to become a better community of disciples of our Lord.

↑ **That**↑ was a Holy Spirit moment.. that was a message from God to... you.. to someone.. God need a or many someones to hear **that** message. So please take it as such.

----Back to explaining the **February** Calendar... Because of the **Parish Lent Night** and **Ash Wednesday** we lose class time for elementary Religious Ed, so therefore we will meet **Weds Feb 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>**.

Empower Youth will **NOT** meet tonight **Feb 5<sup>th</sup>** as they will be gathering for their sessions on **Feb 12<sup>th</sup>** and **Ash Wednesday Feb 26<sup>th</sup>**. **Again** we invite, encourage and welcome ALL MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL Students (regardless of WHERE they go to school) to our **Parish Lent Night** as it is **Faith Formation** and *Community Building*, not history, theology or (just) art happening ☺.

We really hope to see you at any and all of our functions or events..speaking of events ..

YOU (anyone **HIGH SCHOOL** and older) are invited to attend our Parish Mission  
**- the 99 Experience!**

It is going to be a FANTASTIC experience – you do not want to miss it!

If your Youth is needing a Retreat or Event to attend for credit or hours let it be this one...

1) its FREE 2) its going to be AMAZING and 3) its done in **ONE** day!

YES, it is **A L L DAY** - .. but it will go so fast you won't even realize the day has moved into the late afternoon and You can go to Mass on Saturday at 5 pm and have your Saturday night to enjoy with family or friends!

You Win- Friends WIN – most importantly **GOD WINS!!**

So join us .. linked will be a video or two to try to persuade you also linked is the registration to RSVP so we have enough food and supplies for everyone!

Video one: <https://youtu.be/ir59SpuRDYU>

Video TWO: <https://youtu.be/4hBwmr5wM2g>

REGISTRATION: <https://form.jotform.com/200235855601145>

Well thank you, if you made this far and for allowing me to EXTROVERT this enitre Note... and the Holy Spirit Thanks You for heeding the \*message\* as well!

Peace & blessings to you ~

And our Wednesday Elementary Families we will see you tonight!

~jodi ♥