



PREP News for February 2017

Preparation for the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation has begun in earnest for the Grade 2 and 7 classes. We will start the First Communion Liturgies at the 10:30am Sunday Masses on Feb 5th and the Grade 7s have almost completed their patron saint presentations. In the other PREP grades, the students will also be preparing for Lent, which begins on Wednesday March 1st. There will be **NO PREP Classes on Wed. March 1st**. Instead, join us for the Ash Wednesday Liturgy at 8:15am or 7:00pm.

Please find on the back a special way of praying from Pope Francis. It will help us all to pray together in this Season. As well, part of our PREP activities during Lent will be to support of our Archdiocesan seminarians. To this end, Mite boxes will be coming home in a few weeks and each

class will be 'adopting' a seminarian and will learn more about the vocation of Priesthood and the training for it.

Please note that we have PREP Spring Break in March. There will be no PREP classes March 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, or 23rd. If you have any questions or concerns about our PREP program, please contact Jane Waldo at 604-513-0300.

CONFIRMATION DATE!!!! SUNDAY MAY 21st 2pm with BISHOP DAVID MONROE

Sacramental Years

Grade 2 Events

Feb 4th Mandatory Parent Meeting 10am-2pm

Feb 5th Gr 2 Liturgy 10:30am Mass:Theme is:

“Belonging”

Feb 12th Gr 2 Liturgy 10:30am Mass:Theme is:

“Celebrating”

Feb 19th Gr 2 Liturgy 10:30am Mass:Theme is:

“Listening”

Feb 26th Gr 2 Liturgy 10:30am Mass:Theme is:

“Caring”

Grade 7 Events

Feb 8th Mandatory Parent and Sponsor Meeting with Mr. Chuck Lutrell 7pm in Room 4. Topic is “Talking to Your Child about Life and Sexuality”. Adults only please.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Children:

Several older children in our parish are preparing to be baptized on Easter Sunday. If you know of a child between the ages of 4 and 16 whose parents wish them to be baptized, please contact Jane Waldo

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHOIR

Please note the following for the month of February:
Practices will be Saturdays, Feb 18th & 25th (10-11 am) and YPC will sing Sunday, Feb 26th. Students must attend at least one practice to be prepared to sing at Mass on Sunday. Questions and feedback welcome: please contact Elizabeth Ard liz.ard@shaw.ca



St. John Brebeuf High School
annual **Open House**
Thursday February 16 6-8pm
2747 Townline Rd. Abbotsford

All are invited to this opportunity to tour the school and see what makes SJB so unique and a wonderful place to attend high school.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER!
Hosted by the St. Nicholas Family Ministry.
Everyone welcome! Invite friends and neighbours!

Tuesday Feb28th, drop-in between 5:30pm-7pm in the Pope Francis Room. Cost is by donation at the door.



POPE FRANCIS' FIVE FINGER PRAYER

1. The thumb is the closest finger to you. So start praying for those who are closest to you.

2. The index finger is next. Pray for those who teach you. They need support and wisdom to show direction to others.

3. This finger is the tallest. Pray for our leaders and those who have authority. They need God's guidance.

4. The ring finger is the weakest finger. It reminds us to pray for the weakest, sick and those with problems.

5. The pinky is our smallest finger and should remind you to pray for yourself. After praying for the other groups you can pray for your own needs in a better way.

