

February 6, 2018

Dear Parents,

We hope the New Year finds everyone in good health. I wanted to remind you of the remaining opportunities to meet the required five hours for family catechesis.

- **Stations of the Cross (1.5 hours)** on Friday nights beginning on **February 23, 2018** through **March 30, 2018 at 7:00PM** in the Church. If you attend Stations of the Cross more than once you will have to fill out separate "Reflection Sheets". Good Friday there will be Stations of the Cross for Children at noon.
- **Stations of the Cross on March 16, 2018 (2.5 hours)**. This will take place from **5:45PM to 8:00PM**. We will gather in the school cafeteria for meatless pizza and drinks and will end by attending the Stations of the Cross in the church starting at 7:00PM. **SNOW DATE March 23, 2018**. This Station of the Cross will be led by our young people. Sign-up sheets for families are attached. Any 8th grader who needs Confirmation service hours may sign up in the Religious Ed Office. See LOFT attachment for more information.
- **Tenebrae-(1.5 hours per day)** Held on March 29,30, 31, 2018 in the church at 9:00AM. (**Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday**) . It is a reading of psalms and prayer. Reflection Sheets are available at the Religious Education office and online at www.smdpreled.org.
- **Family Pilgrimage** – A shrine is a church or other sacred place visited by the faithful as pilgrims for a special devotion. On Holy Thursday some people visit 7 churches to pray before the Blessed Sacrament. Reflection Sheets are available in the Religious Education Office and on our website.
- **Divine Mercy Sunday (1.5 hours)**. Prayer service held on Sunday, April 8, 2018 at 3:00PM in the church. Reflection Sheets will be available in the Religious Education Office as well as in the church.
- **On-Line Faith Formation-** (5 hours). This is a great opportunity to fulfill your LOFT requirement, get to know some other families in your parish, and grow in your faith not just for you but for your whole family. This online course will be run by one of our catechist, Mrs. Ann Marie Hollywood and by Deacon Mike Correal. For more information, see the attachment for **LOFT ONLINE!**

Please contact the Religious Education Office if you have questions at 845-471-8728.

Respectfully yours,

Mrs. C. Fratto