



*NOTES FROM P.R.E.P.
APRIL 25, 2018*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to our Level 3 and Special Sacraments II students, who along with Holy Trinity School received the sacrament of First Holy Communion this past Saturday. We joyfully welcome them to the Table of the Lord.



There are a couple of reminders for our Level 3 and Special Sacraments First Communion students-our Closing Procession for Forty Hours Devotion on Tuesday, May 1st and our Parish May Crowning on Sunday, May 6th at the 9:30 AM Mass. Reminders for both items are coming home tonight.

REGISTRATION

As of tonight there are still several families who have not reregistered for the 2018-2019 PREP year. The registration form can be downloaded from the website. Tuition for the 2018-19 PREP year is now as follows:

One child - \$95.00 (\$85.00 tuition plus \$10.00 late fee)

Two or more children - \$135.00 (\$125.00 tuition plus \$10.00 late fee)

NEXT WEEK IS THE LAST PREP CLASS



Next week, May 2nd we will begin in church with our May Crowning to honor our Blessed Mother. All students should report directly to church. We will remain in church for our recognition awards. Following the awards we will go over to the school hall for refreshments. Parents are encouraged to stay with their children for this final evening of the PREP year. Students should report to their catechist when they arrive at church and receive their flower for Mary. They should also make sure that they have received their Progress Report from their catechist as well as a small end of the year gift before leaving at the end of the evening. Parents who will be called

this weekend to bring refreshments for the social (Adami to Karas) can drop them off at the school hall beginning at 6:00 PM. Please use the alley door near the kitchen.

ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER CHANGES



As we end our PREP year we are asking that everyone make sure that all your address (including email) and phone number (including your cell phone) information is up to date. Materials regarding the beginning of PREP in September will be mailed out in August.

LEVEL 1 WALKS WITH JESUS

Last week our Level 1 students and their catechist Mrs. Krasny presented their “walk with Jesus” through the events of Holy Week for their parents.



“Jesus” is greeted with palm branches as he enters Jerusalem.



“Jesus” eats the Last Supper with his disciples.



“Jesus” is arrested in the garden



“Jesus” is crucified.



“Jesus” is risen

PARISH PICNIC



SAVE THE DATE!! The annual parish picnic this year will be Sunday, September 9th from 1:30 – 5:00 PM. Fliers with picnic information and sign up sheet will be coming home tonight with your children.

FOOD PANTRY AWARD

The winner of last week's Food Pantry Award was:



**MRS. KARAS' LEVEL 2!!
CONGRATULATIONS!!**

**TONIGHT IS THE LAST NIGHT FOR FOOD COLLECTION
AND WE ARE COLLECTING:**

**COFFEE
APPLESAUCE
CANNED YAMS
BOXED POTATOES
PANCAKE MIX & SYRUP**

**A GRATEFUL THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR PREP
FAMILIES FOR ALL THE DONATIONS YOU HAVE MADE
TO OUR FOOD PANTRY THIS YEAR - MANY FAMILIES
HAVE BENEFITTED FROM YOUR GENEROSITY.**

GOSPEL SNEAK PEEK FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2018

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

HEARING THE WORD

John 15:1 – 5

Jesus said to his disciples: “ I am the true vine, and my father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing.”

REFLECTING ON THE WORD

Pruning is painful but necessary in our lives as well as in vineyards. However, when we remain connected to the vine, we do not have to do our pruning alone. Pruning is hard work, but it is possible and even can be comfortable in the context of community and through the grace of God’s goodness. Daily we must make a choice to be connected to God. When we remain connected to our source, we can bear a seemingly infinite amount of fruit.

FOR REFLECTION

Where do you feel most connected to God?

What does it mean to remain in God?