



November 6, 2011

ask that the children, bring their donation in next week (November 14th). Please teach your child generosity. Take them shopping for the item and suggest ways they can contribute to the cost.

## November is Busy for Faith Formation

### Nativity Play needs Participation

Although forms to participate in this year's Nativity Play are not due until tomorrow, I have only received 3 forms thus far and so the play is in danger of not happening this year. Traditions like this are important to children's faith development and although there is a small time commitment, church becomes more meaningful with events like these. Please encourage your children to reenact the birth of baby Jesus. Really put "Christ" in their Christmas celebration this year. They will thank you someday for these precious memories.

### Special New Roman Missal Presentation

On Monday, November 14th, we will do a special presentation explaining the new changes in the Mass for the fourth thru eighth grades in the church starting at 6:40 pm. Parents are invited to attend.

## Sacrament News

### Confirmation Retreat at Subiaco This Sunday

Sixteen 8th grade students will spend this Sunday afternoon at a Confirmation retreat in one of the most tranquil places in the area. Subiaco is part of St. Benedict's Monastery in Oxford, Michigan. The church is located at the highest point in Oakland county and when you're there, you truly feel closer to God. Confirmation is about becoming an active adult in our church and one thing we should all do at least once a year is separate ourselves from the hustle and bustle of life and feel God's love and presence in our life. A retreat offers us the opportunity to look at our life and find more peace. We are introducing this experience to our candidates in hopes that it will strengthen their faith

and show them that there are special places where they can find God, if they should ever become lost. Please pray for our Confirmation candidates and their families during this year.

Eucharist families will participate in a "Making Bread" workshop coming up on Saturday, November 19th. The R.S.V.P. for who is attending with the students is due this Monday to the Faith Formation office.

### Faith Formation Food Drive Items Requested

Just as the parish is collecting food for the Thanksgiving Baskets, so are the children in the Faith Formation program. They will be asked to bring specific items that, together with the parish's contributions, will offer ten families a bountiful Thanksgiving dinner. A letter will come home this Monday, explaining which item/s that each grade has been requested to bring. We

### Children interested in Participating in This Years' Nativity Play

#### Four important dates to be available: Rehearsals and Play -

- Monday, December 5th during class time
- Sunday, December 11th after 10:30 am Mass
- Sunday, December 19th after 10:30 am Mass
- Christmas Eve 4:00 pm Mass

We need younger children for the actors and older children for the narrators.  
Simple costumes required.

Please turn in to the FF office by **November 7, 2011**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

email \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to be (circle one):

angel shepherd Joseph Mary sheep

## Mom2Mom Sale

### January 21, 2012

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