

St. Boniface  
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### Dates to Remember

Sept. 7 Grandparent's Day  
Mass—9:00 AM  
Sept. 6 & 7 Catechetical Sun  
Sept. 7 YM Mt 6:00 PM  
Sept. 15-26 St. Vincent de  
Paul Food Collection  
Sept. 20 & 21 Stewardship  
Sunday  
Sept. 21 Jesse Manibusen  
Concert Trenton 6:00 PM  
Oct. 3—St. Francis Feast Day  
Oct. 5 Guardian Angel  
Mass 9:00 AM  
Oct. 5 Confirmation Parent  
Meeting at 10:00 AM  
Oct. 5 Respect Life Sunday  
Oct. 6 Living Rosary  
Oct. 6- Nov. 10 Six Mon-  
days of Bible Study  
Oct. 29 All Saints Day  
Oct. 29 First Rec Parent MT  
Nov. 4 Report Cards  
Nov. 16 Rite of Enrollment  
Nov. 23 First Reconciliation  
Nov. 27 Thanksgiving Day

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IN THE LIFE  
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THE CHURCH

## Faith Formation Parent Connection

### Letter to Parents

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2008-2009 Faith Formation year at St. Boniface. This is my 7th year here as a DRE. I feel very blest to be your catechetical leader. I am energized by your faith-filled life and dedication to having your children grow in their faith.

A new school year brings a few new catechists and a strong group of seasoned catechists. Please take the opportunity to thank them. This Sunday we will celebrate Catechetical Sunday here at St. Boniface. We not only recognize our catechists but also the whole parish for echoing your faith to our young people.

“The Word of God in the Life and Mission of the Church” is the theme for this year. Let us strive to open the Scriptures, discover and live out the Word of God in our daily lives.

Yours in Christ,

### 2008-2009 Catechists

K— Marie Wesselmann & Perri Wesselmann  
1— Alyssa Benhoff & Jenna Cohoon  
2— Joan Theising & Rita Nordhaus  
3— Hank Wesselmann & Gerry Huelsmann  
4— Marilyn & Dave Jansen  
5— Joanne Lampe  
6— Allison Usselmann & Beth Winkeler  
Catherine Gebke & Maggie Brueggemann  
7— Julie Foppe  
8— Ruth Eversgerd

**September Service Activities**

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL  
FOOD COLLECTION**

**SEPTEMBER 15-26**

- K- JELLO OR PUDDING
- 1- MACARONI & CHEESE
- 2- CRACKERS
- 3- MUFFIN MIXES
- 4- CANNED FRUIT
- 5- CAKE MIXES
- 6- PASTA OR PIZZA  
DINNERS
- 7- CAN MEAT OR MEALS
- 8- BREAKFAST CEREALS



**Web- Cites**

- [www.faithfirst.com](http://www.faithfirst.com)
- [www.domestic-church.com](http://www.domestic-church.com)
- [www.catholic-mom.com](http://www.catholic-mom.com)
- [www.Myfriendmagazine.com](http://www.Myfriendmagazine.com)
- [www.plfaum.com](http://www.plfaum.com)
- [www.catholicculture.org](http://www.catholicculture.org)
- [www.orb.crs.org](http://www.orb.crs.org)
- [www.sermons4kids.com](http://www.sermons4kids.com)
- [www.findinggod.org](http://www.findinggod.org)



**Family Commitment  
Prayer**

Heavenly Father,  
With your help, we commit ourselves to a life of holiness:  
to living out our baptismal promises by following your will, practicing forgiveness and loving you, ourselves, and one another.

Help us to trust in your gift of the Holy Spirit, to rely on his help, and to follow Him.

We commit ourselves to make the Word of God a living part of our home by reading the Scriptures, treating each other with dignity and respect, and keeping the name of Jesus on our lips and in our hearts.

We make this commitment in Jesus' name. AMEN

**Suggestions for Family Prayer**

- Say the Commitment Prayer together.
- Assign different verses to each family member.
- Designate one meal a week as your family commitment meal, and recite this prayer.
- As you eat, talk about how you are living out your commitment.
- As a family, decide on a focus word for the week.
- Challenge family members to come up with music that can be used while praying this prayer.

## Suggested Activities at Home

- **Prepare a Seasonal Prayer Table** by displaying religious objects such as a crucifix, a Bible, a rosary, pictures, seasonal colors, and a plant.
- **Use the Bible** by discussing the **Questions of the Week** that pertains to the Sunday scriptures. Readings may be found in the weekly **Bulleting** or go to [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) for the full text.
- **Go to suggested web cites** for family activities.
- **Plan family rituals, prayer actions and celebrations** that fit the faith time line of the year such as **All Saints, Thanksgiving, Birthdays, Advent.**, etc.
- **Pray the Family Commitment Prayer** found on opposite page.
- **Participate in the activities** that are taking place during the Faith Formation school year. (See Dates to Remember)
- **Participate in the Bible Study** with Deacon Rich Bagby on Monday evenings beginning October 6 thru Nov. 10
- **Sign-up for different ministries** on Stewardship Sun. Sept. 20-21
- **Ask your children** about Faith Formation activities.
- **Share your faith** with them and tell them faith stories.
- **Celebrate the Eucharist** together as a family on weekends.

## Youth Ministry News

### *Fall Activities for Jr. High*

*Sun. Sept. 21— Jesse Manibusan Concert  
at St. Mary Trenton 6:00 PM*

*Sun. Nov. 16— Youth Mass at 9:00 AM*

### **Fall Activities for High School**

Sign-Up Meeting for CYM is Sun. Sept. 7 at 6:00 PM  
in Rectory Basement

Jessie Manibusan Concert at ST. Mary Trenton Sun. Sept. 21  
at 6:00 PM

Youth Mass—November 16 at 9:00 AM

## Special Events

Come and Celebrate Grandparent Day on Sunday, September 7 at the 9:00 AM Liturgy

Plan to attend the Jesse Manibusen Concert at St. Mary Trenton on Sunday, September 21 at 6:00 PM

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## Faith Formation Class News *para-*

A number of classes had Grandparents as visitors in the classroom this past week. Look for pictures in the upcoming issue of the Messenger.

The 5th grade is studying the 1st chapter of their book: WE BELIEVE- Learning about God through His Creation, through people, and prayer. The class is also learning the story of St. Boniface which they will pass on to their parents. Mrs. Lampe thanks all parents for the great response of those who desire to be servers for the first time this coming year.

