



St. Vincent de Paul
CATHOLIC CHURCH



Religious Formation Family Newsletter ***January 7, 2019***



January 13, 2019~The Baptism of the Lord

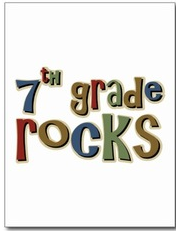
Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 • Titus 2:11-14 • Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

...a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." —Luke 3:22

Father in heaven, thank you for the Sacrament of Baptism. We are so blessed to receive your Holy Spirit so we can make a difference in the world.

Family Faith Sharing Question: Discuss with your child(ren) their Baptism.

REMINDER NO CLASS, THIS WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9TH! CLASSES RESUME JANUARY 16TH!
We hope you and your family had a blessed Christmas and a wonderful start to the New Year!



Hall & Traffic Sign Up for 7th Grade in the month of January

If your child is in 7th grade, please sign up in the month of January to be a hall monitor (must be Safe Environment certified) or traffic volunteer. To volunteer, please click the button below. Thank you for volunteering!



Inclement Weather Policy-With the cold weather and snow upon us, below is our inclement weather policy, as stated in our handbook:

The decision to cancel Wednesday classes will be made (at the latest) by 2:00pm on the day of class, unless the public schools have cancelled classes on Wednesday due to weather. In that case, there are no classes on that Wednesday.

Notification of cancellation will be publicized by:

1. Parent email
2. The answering machine at the office will state classes have been cancelled (402-493-1642)
3. Parish's Website and Facebook Page



Lost and Found Box- We have a lost and found box in the Religious Formation Office. If you are missing a jacket, water bottle, notebook, etc. please stop in the office to see if we found your missing item!



EDGE – all 7th and 8th graders are invited to our next EDGE night on Saturday, January 12th from 6:00pm – 8:00pm in Hanneman Hall. Come for pizza, ice cream, prayer and fun games! For a full spring calendar, you can visit [https://www.svdpomaha.org/faith-](https://www.svdpomaha.org/faith-formation/youth-ministry/junior-high)

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Senior High Small Groups – 8th graders are you ready to jump in to high school already? Or perhaps the thought of high school still scares you a little. Either way, we would love to get you going in your Senior High Small Group this March 31st. Having a small group to meet with at the parish is so helpful while facing the challenges of high school and the unknown. To sign up for a group, click HERE: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094aa4a82fa31-high>



Steubenville Youth Conference "Belong" – those entering 9th grade this fall are invited to join our senior high teens at the Steubenville Youth Conference this summer (July 19 – 21 in Springfield, MO). This conference is full of amazing speakers, entertainment, and Catholic Sacraments. This conference is for all high school teens and gives a great reminder that we are not alone in our faith. Thousands of High School teens from around this country will be joining us. Please turn in registration forms to Hannah Keisling at the Formation Offices no later than Friday, February 1st along with a \$50 deposit. Total cost for teens is \$370 (scholarships and fundraising are available as needed). Information on speakers and Registration forms can be found on the parish website:

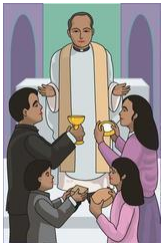
<https://www.svdpomaha.org/faith-formation/youth-ministry>



SPRING 2019 SVdP SOCCER REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

—Online registration for the 2019 Spring soccer season is now open through Feb 15, 2019. Registration fees are \$65.00 per player until Feb 15th and are due at the time of registration. A \$20.00 late fee will be assessed for all registrations and payments made after Feb 15. Boys and girls in Kindergarten (not playing micro soccer) through 8th

grade are eligible to participate



Gift Family/Gift Bearers

This sign up is to schedule Gift Families/Gift Bearers for the weekend Masses. Gift Bearers actively participate in the celebration of the Mass by presenting the gifts of Bread and Wine at the altar and require no special skill or permanent ministerial duty, and yet it is a beautiful and significant part of the Mass performed by lay people.

Any occasion can be a time to serve as a Gift Bearer: a birthday, an anniversary, an upcoming sacrament, or just a "happy day." Or maybe you would like to bring up the gifts on the memorial of a loved one.

Questions or need help? Contact Scott Haddick at 402-493-4965. Click on the button below to find a date to bear the gifts at Mass!

[Volunteer](#)

\$1 Cards & Prizes

Receive a free card per person by donating a food item. Donations will be delivered to local pantries.



Parish Bingo Night

Friday, January 11

6:30-7:45pm

School Gym



Free Popcorn!

Fun for all ages!

Hosted by the Parish Guild Circles

Alpha is comprised of 11 weekly sessions with a “day away” (a Saturday). Each session includes a delicious meal, a dynamic video, and an authentic discussion where you can share your thoughts among a community. Alpha is an awesome



way to meet and develop new friends seeking a deeper faith life within a large Catholic parish like SVdP.

Here are some of previous SVdP Alpha participants' comments from their experiences of Alpha:

“Alpha was an incredible deepening of my spiritual life. I know I have to stay in the Word and Alpha has helped me start reading the Bible again. I feel confident in the power of the Holy Spirit working in me.”



When is Alpha?

- Wednesday evenings
January 30 through April 17
- 6:30 to 8:30pm in Hanneman Hall including a meal
- Retreat Saturday, March 23, 2019 from 8:30am to 4:00pm

Contact Jenny Wiswell at jenwiswell@gmail.com or Stan Isham at ishamstanley@gmail.com with any questions.

To register, contact Bonnie Frics at 402-493-1642 or fricsb@svdpomaha.org.

Childcare is available at no charge. Space is limited.

? Trivia Nite ?

A Benefit for SVdP Outreach Programs



Saturday, February 2, 2019

at SVdP Gym

Doors Open at 6 pm.

Trivia Game from 7-10 pm



- ⇒ **Bring your own food - drinks provided**
- ⇒ **Prizes for the best decorated table**
- ⇒ **Buy answers to questions
(to improve your chances of winning!)**
- ⇒ **Great raffle prizes—\$2 per chance**
- ⇒ **10x envelope game**
- ⇒ **Heads & tails \$5**

Tables of 8—\$160
**Single tickets available for
\$25 each.**

Sign up after masses:

Jan. 12/13 & 19/20



Reserve a table or buy your tickets today!

Contact Bonnie Frics 402-496-7988

fricsb@svdpomaha.org



SPOTLIGHT ON: **JIM GAFFIGAN**

A comedian at a Catholic event? And not just any comedian - Grammy-nominated comedian, actor, writer, best-selling author and hot pocket-lover Jim Gaffigan! A Catholic father of five known for family-friendly jokes, Jim performed for Pope Francis at the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia in 2015. His hilarious takes on food, faith, and life with kids will bring notes of lighthearted joy to our celebration. Don't miss the opportunity to catch him live at ArchOmaha Unite!

Registration opens January 15th at Unite.archomaha.org

To report an absence from Religious Formation Class, please [click here](#).

Calendar

Wed. Jan. 9: NO Classes, Catechist In-Service

Wed. Jan. 16: Classes

Please review the Master Calendar & Family Handbook (links below).

Sacrament Calendar

2nd Grade:

Tue. Jan. 22 or Wed. Jan. 23: First Eucharist Mini Retreat, 6:00pm-7:30pm, Optional pizza dinner at 5:20pm (No 2nd grade religious formation class on Wed. Jan. 23rd), parent preference

8th Grade:

Tue. Feb. 19: Confirmation Practice, 4:00pm or 5:30pm, as assigned

Sun. Feb. 24: Confirmation Mass at 12:30pm or 3:00pm, as assigned

7th Grade:

Wed. Apr. 3: Service Work, Saint and Sponsor forms due

Important Links:

- Master Calendar 2018-2019, click [here.](#)
- Family Handbook, click [here.](#)