

NPACC Disciples of Christ

Grade 1 through grade 8

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As we begin our 2018, let us recall the beautiful prayer attributed to St. Francis:

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:

where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I

may not so much seek

to be consoled as to console,

to be understood as to understand,

to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

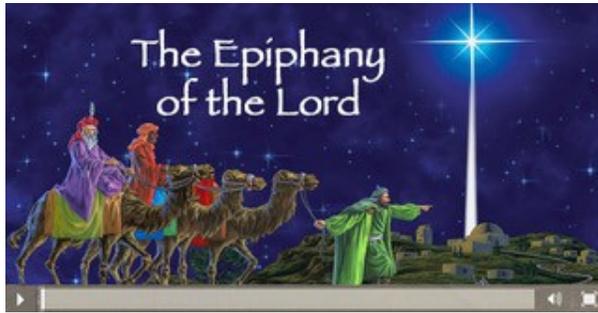


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A look at what is coming up!

Wednesday, January 3	No Class, we want to show our catechists some love!
Wednesday, January 10	Regular class
Weekend January 13/14	Lenten group sign-ups in back of church or on line
Wednesday, January 17	Regular class
Saturday, January 20	Grade 2 reconciliation retreat 9-10:30 for parents/children
Wednesday, January 24	Regular Class
Saturday, January 27	First Reconciliation; 8:30 and 9:45
Wednesday, January 31	Grades 7&8 Reconciliation

This Sunday is when we celebrate The Epiphany of our Lord.



It is a Christian feast which we will observe this year on January 6-7.

Epiphany comes from the Greek word *epiphainen*, a verb that means "to shine upon," "to manifest," or "to make known."

It is fitting that the feast of the Epiphany celebrates the many ways that Christ has made Himself known to the world. The visit of the magi is one of the events that show us the mission and divinity of Christ. These Gentile travelers travelled far in their search for Jesus. They believed he was the Son of God and sought him out. Jesus did not come to save only the Jews, but His Kingdom is for all. This Sunday's readings will reflect that message.

Grades 6-7-8 Chillfest 2018! - An overnight lock-in in Chaska

This is a fantastic opportunity for your Junior High child to join other youth from around the south metro for a great evening of fun! It will include laser tag, swimming, dancing, karaoke, inflatables, ice skating, Mass and *so...much...more!*

This lock in will be held Friday January 26 pm—January 27 am. It has always been a great time for all attendees. **The deadline for sign-up is Friday, January 19th.** Cost is \$45 which includes absolutely EVERYTHING! Forms are available at: <https://npacc.wufoo.com/forms/mw7hyw81lya011/>

For more information or to chaperone (we need adults to accompany us or it can't happen) contact your youth minister at pamela.sherlock@npcatholic.org.

This is really a great opportunity for your child and a date night for you! Sign up today!

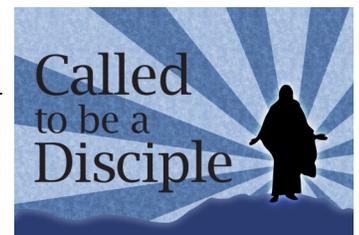
OK, I really want you to consider something...

We are hoping to make it easy for you. There is nothing (*and I mean nothing*) more important than your relationship with Jesus. You may not have given it much thought, but it is the truth. Everything in this life is temporary, yet we put so much effort into it. Our relationship with Jesus is eternal and sometimes we don't consider it at all.

This Lent we are offering a fantastic program that will be available throughout our parish on various days/times during the five weeks of Lent. We have Susan Karan, who has agreed to facilitate a group here on Wednesday nights for our Disciples of Christ parents (and anyone else). We will meet five weeks; February 21-March 21. We will run it from 6-7:30 p.m. to coincide with our Wednesday Disciples of Christ program.

Sign-ups will begin January 13-14, HOWEVER, I am letting you sign up early to reserve YOUR spot. We want to keep the groups to around 12 people. Once the first group is filled, we will find another facilitator to lead another group...and another...and another...

Please let me sign YOU up for this amazing program. Call or e-mail me today. I am including a flyer that will give you more information—Please take a look and do this for YOU... Jesus is patiently waiting :) Blessings on your journey!



“Those who know your name will trust in you, for you, Lord have never forsaken those who seek you.” Psalm 9:10 This Lent—be a seeker!