



St. Mary's PSR NEWSLETTER

September, 2011

PSR Coming Events:

Sundays:

Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 PSR class as usual.
Oct. 23 (12:00) Catechist Plan Mtg.

Mondays:

Sept. 26 PSR 4-9, Class Mass gr. 4 & 5
Oct. 3 PSR 4-8, No PSR 9
Oct. 10 PSR 4-9
Oct. 17 PSR 4-8, No PSR 9
Oct. 24 PSR 4-9
Oct. 24 Catechist Plan Mtg. (8:15)
Oct. 31 No PSR (gr. 4-9) (Halloween)

PSR AIDES NEEDED! (teens welcome)

SUNDAYS 10:30-11:45 am, for

Kindergarten, Grade 1, Grade 2, Grade 3

***As we end this week
celebrating the Ministry of
Catechetics, we say thank
you to all our generous PSR
and Children's Liturgy of the
Word catechists!***



Kari Novak, Cindy Zahorchak,
Jackie Estep, Christina Hickey,
Kathy Tacina, Sue Bachie,
Ronda Heitz, Vicki Follen,
Mary Ellen Scott, Sue Dedrick,
Nora Bricker, Felicia Ruskowski,
Janet Klimo, Fr. Chris Weber,
Christine Burrell, Tina & Nolan Grame,
Connie Kowal, Jessica Sulminski,
Diane Zrenner, Donna Roetzer

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION for 8th, 9th, 10th graders!

Confirmation dates are May 23 and May 24.

Registration deadlines: St. Mary School should register by October 7. Public School Grade 8 and 9 should register by September 23. Catholic High School Grade 9 and 10 should register before Thanksgiving, November 24.

For more information and registrations: contact Larry at the REO.

God, give me a sign!

Most of us, at some point or another, have asked God for a sign. Perhaps it was in a moment of crisis. Maybe it was a time of confusion. "God, show me a sign. Show me the right way."

There is a story that many of you have probably heard before about the man who is trapped by a flood. As he climbs to the second story of his house, he prays, "God, please save me. I believe that you will save me." It's not long before a person in a rowboat stops by and offers to take the man to safety. "No thanks," he says. "God is going to save me."

The floodwaters continue to rise and the man climbs on to his roof. He prays again, "God, a person of lesser faith would have gotten into that rowboat, but I know that you are going to save me." A Coast Guard vessel passes by. Again the man refuses to be helped. "God is going to save me," he says.

The floodwaters keep rising and the man has to climb up on top of his chimney. A helicopter flies by and tries to help the man, but he waves it away yelling, "It's okay, God is going to save me!"

Finally the waters sweep the man away, and he perishes in the flood. His spirit goes to heaven. He asks one of the angels if he can have a quick word with the Lord. "God, I sure am thankful to be here in heaven," he says, "but I have to ask you why you didn't save me from the flood."

The Lord replies, "My child, I tried. I sent a rowboat, the coast guard, and a helicopter!" Sometimes we ask for a sign, and we fail to see that the sign is already right in front of us. God is trying to work in the midst of our crises and confusion.



Catholic IQ answers

1) d, 2) a, 3) F, 4) c, 5) b,
6) a, 7) d, 8) F, 9) b, 10) c,
11) c, 12) d, 13) a, 14) d.



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What's Your Catholic IQ?—October 2011

by David O'Brien... This fun self-quiz can help you learn more about our Catholic faith. The Answer Key can be found on the other side of this newsletter.

1. What does a person have to do to become a martyr?
 - a) have apparitions
 - b) build a Catholic school
 - c) go on a pilgrimage
 - d) die for the faith
2. Who was the first Christian martyr?
 - a) St. Stephen
 - b) St. Peter
 - c) St. John
 - d) St. Paul
3. The Communion of Saints consists of those officially canonized by the Church.
True False
4. Which of the Twelve Apostles was the first Bishop of Ephesus, wrote the book of Revelation while in exile on the island of Patmos, and died of natural causes?
 - a) Judas Iscariot
 - b) St. Matthew
 - c) St. John the Evangelist
 - d) St. Peter
5. The Golden Rule (see Luke 6:31) states;
 - a) make as much money as you can
 - b) treat others as you would like them to treat you
 - c) gold is more precious than silver
 - d) an eye for an eye
6. The first woman named Doctor of the Church was;
 - a) St. Teresa of Ávila
 - b) St. Thérèse, the Little Flower
 - c) St. Mary Magdalene
 - d) St. Julian of Norwich
7. The patron of Mexico is;
 - a) St. Thérèse of Lisieux
 - b) St. Juan Diego
 - c) St. Katherine Drexel
 - d) Our Lady of Guadalupe
8. As Catholics, we pray to Mary and the saints just like we pray to God.
True False
9. Mary, the Mother of God, is the ___ of all Saints.
 - a) Mother
 - b) Queen
 - c) patroness
 - d) role model
10. The Church militant refers to
 - a) Catholics serving in the military
 - b) the blessed ones in heaven
 - c) the baptized living on earth today
 - d) intense and serious Catholics
11. What holy day of obligation is the day after Halloween?
 - a) All Souls Day
 - b) Ash Wednesday
 - c) All Saints Day
 - d) the Immaculate Conception
12. At Mass, we begin by saying "In the name of the ___, and of the ___, and of the ___."
 - a) Creator, Redeemer, Sanctifier
 - b) pope, bishops, priests
 - c) Church, saints, Mother of God
 - d) Father, Son, Holy Spirit
13. Jesus said that his disciples would do greater things than he did because (see John 14:12)
 - a) Jesus was going to the Father and would send the Holy Spirit to help them;
 - b) they were good guys
 - c) the Apostles worked really hard at being holy
 - d) the Church would eventually become a world religion
14. Which saint is known for his love of animals?
 - a) St. Anthony of Padua
 - b) Dr. Doolittle
 - c) St. Patrick
 - d) St. Francis of Assisi

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