#### **OCTOBER 24,2021**

#### 2021-2022

# **Religious Education**

## **Turning Faith into Action**



# Meet 3rd and 4th Grade

### Catechists: Alyce Hafer!

We are the 3rd and 4th grade Our Lady of Lourdes class. Most recently, we have been focusing on prayer and our prayer board. What type of prayers could there be? In what situations could we apply prayer(s). The month of October is the perfect time to learn the prayers of the Rosary. In it we find the life of Christ and a particular time when Jesus needed to pray! The Garden of Gethsemane. Prayer was very important to Jesus, because as we are taught,



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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he frequently went off by himself to pray. He prayed before facing very difficult situations such as in the garden before his final passion. He prayed at the the last Supper in Thanksgiving for the very substances of bread and wine that we would later offer in the Mass. Or in thanksgiving for the fishes and loaves just before the miracle when they were multiple for the crowd. He prayed in petition to His father in "The Prayer of Jesus", wanting all of us to be one in Him knowing the love of The Father for Him was the same for us. Jesus praved.



Our class pondered that everyday all of us talk to our family,

friends schoolmates etc. When not talking with them we might be thinking of them. Prayer is much the same....only our words and thoughts are turned to God. We can tell Him about our day, events, concerns, troubles, requests, joys and, most importantly, what we are thankful for including the very people we share our lives with. Prayer doesn't need to be difficult, but it should be purposeful.

Purposeful brings about meaningful and that is what Jesus really intends for us.

# **Faith!**

#### **Turning Faith Into Action**

This year the diocese's mission is "Turning Faith into Action". I thought that the Religious Education classes would follow suit! This is such an amazing thing to do, and so very easy. Jesus wants us to love each other like we are neighbors. He wants us to help take care of each other. Everyone, even if you have never even heard about Jesus, knows this rule. It is called the Golden Rule. Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. This means if you see someone in need of some assistance, you help them. Not because you know them, but because if you were in need of help you would want someone to help you. Try this year to be that person that is willing to help others. Make that your mission.

## "October is the Month of the Rosary!"

October is the Month of the Rosary. Why is the Rosary so very important? The Rosary is a prayer that focuses us on the life of Jesus by meditating on different parts of his life. Depending on what day of the week it is depends on which part of his life you mediate on. It can be a hard habit to start if you haven't already been doing it. To start, you can do a decade a day for a week, then add in two decades, then three and so on. Pray the Rosary in the car as a family. All you need to do is get started! Remember- "A family that prays together, stays together".

#### **Turkey Time**

Thursday November 14<sup>th</sup> from 10:30-1:00 we will be having our annual Turkey Dinner! Please be ready to help out if you can.