

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

## NEWSLETTER

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### Dear Parents and Students of St. Monica's Religious Education Program,

We are in the season of Advent indicating that Christmas is just around the corner. Christmas is a commemoration of God's coming into the world. He came for all of us. As we look on Baby Jesus we can think of the mystery of God's love for us. Why did God, who is almighty and all powerful, come into the world small and powerless as a baby? Quite simply - out of the love which he has for all of us. St. John the Evangelist says: "This is the revelation of God's love for us, that God sent his only Son into the world that we might have life through him".

Let us thank God for revealing his love for us in Jesus. That he who is so big and powerful became so small and weak for us, that he became one of us, to help us be more like him, to have life through him

To all the Parents, Grandparents and anyone who brings the Religious Education students to our learning sessions and the students who are eager to get to know Jesus more, Fr. Pastor Mario, Fr. Andrew, the Catechists, classroom aides and I, appreciate your dedicated concern for the faith formation of "our" children.

We know that you too have to give your time and concern to see that "our" young Catholics are getting to know and love Jesus and His Father, the Holy Spirit and His Church.

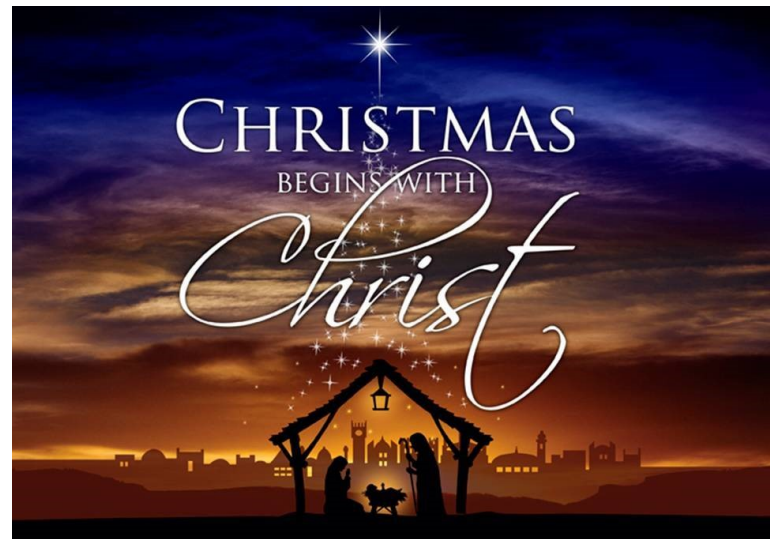
It was very encouraging to us to see you perform at the First Story of Christmas which took place on December 9th. We are very happy to enjoy this festive time with all of you.

Just a reminder: our next session will be on January 13th, 2018.

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!**

Sister Noemi Gil

P.S. I am very blessed to be with you at St. Monica Parish. God Bless you. You are in my prayers.



## SAINT MONICA PARISH *Christmas Schedule*

### CHRISTMAS VIGIL (SUNDAY, DEC. 24)

4:00 PM - FAMILY MASS  
10:00 PM - POLISH "PASTERKA"  
12:00 AM - MIDNIGHT MASS

### CHRISTMAS DAY (MONDAY, DEC. 25)

7:30 AM - MASS IN ENGLISH  
9:00 AM - MASS IN ENGLISH  
10:30 AM - MASS IN ENGLISH  
12:00 PM - MASS IN ENGLISH  
1:30 PM - MASS IN POLISH

### ST. STEPHEN DAY (MONDAY, DEC. 26)

8:30 AM - MASS IN ENGLISH  
10:00 AM - MASS IN POLISH  
7:00 PM - MASS IN POLISH



### SOLEMNITY OF MARY - THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD (MONDAY, JAN. 1 - NEW YEAR)

10:30 AM - MASS IN ENGLISH  
1:30 PM - MASS IN POLISH  
6:00 PM - MASS IN ENGLISH  
7:30 PM - MASS IN POLISH