

Mary, Mother of Mercy Parish

Word Committee Report

January 12, 2017

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, YOUTH: Religious Education continues for grades K-7 with no major problems. Christmas pageants were held at St. Francis and St. James churches on Christmas Eve. First Penance to be held during lent, First Communion during Eastertide, dates TBA.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, HIGH SCHOOL: Confirmation classes are held at St. James the Apostle and are taught by Fr. Bernard and Gerry Frank. Gerry is coordinator for the Confirmation Program. Confirmation for current ninth graders will be May 3 at 7 pm at St. Stephen's church (Part of Our Lady of Peace Parish) in Geneva.

RCIA: Classes are held Sundays at noon at St. James. Classes are taught by Fr. Bernard.

ADULT EDUCATION/OUTREACH: The word committee has again been asked to look at the Dynamic Catholic Series for a Lenten Parish Project. The books *Rediscover Jesus*, *Rediscover Catholicism*, *Resisting Happiness* sell for about \$3 a copy, shipping included. A 100 book order would be 300 dollars. Not a tremendous amount of money. The word committee has not reached a final decision. Again, parish wide, parishioners will be encouraged to sign up for Bishop Robert Barron's email Lenten program, which is free to all.

Feedback is always welcome

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