

FEBRUARY 2017 NEWSLETTER

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They Made Us Smile!!

A Child's Letter to God.

Dear God,

Do you get your angels to do all the work? Mommy says we are her angels, and we have to do everything.

Love Maria

Dear God,

Please put another holiday between Christmas and Easter. There is nothing good in there now.

Mike

Dear God,

When you started the earth and put people there and all the animals and grass and the stars, did you get very tired? I have a lot of other questions too.

Very truly yours, Sherman.

Dear God,

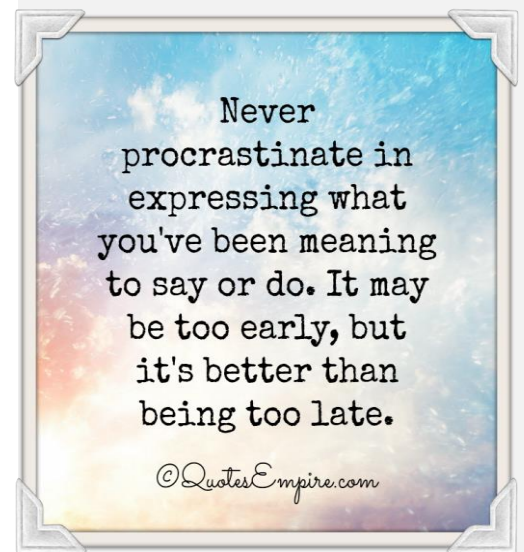
Maybe Cain and Abel would not kill each other so much if they had their own rooms. It worked with my brother.

Love Sharon

Dear God,

I think about you sometimes even when I'm not praying.

Love, Chester



A Special Valentine Question

Thinking about the special gift to give your family on Valentine's Day. Ask them this question:

How can I love you better?

Concerned that someone might ask for something you cannot provide, like a new car? Explain gently why loving also means you can't provide something that would make it hard for the rest of the family. Instead of saying no, move the conversation forward. Ask them what type of car they would like and how and when a car would be accessible.

Be courageous and willing to hear the responses. Chances are a question based on love will be answered with love.

An Environmental Project (might be fun for your parish)

The Polar Bear Walk: Feb. 27-Mar.3, 2017

Did you know? Polar bears in Hudson Bay walk up to 5,000 km across the Arctic sea ice annually. Every year this journey becomes more difficult because the sea ice on which they depend is melting due to climate change. Polar bears make their home on the ever-shrinking expanse of sea ice. The challenge is to symbolically walk in the paws of the mighty polar bear. It can be a fundraiser for the Arctic Conservation Work hosted by the World Wildlife Federation (schools@wwfcanada.org) or just an exercise program.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Saint Paul explains that "love is always patient and kind; love is never jealous; love is not boastful or conceited, it is never rude, and never seeks its own advantage, it does not take offence or store up grievances. Lovefinds its joy in the truth. It is always ready to make allowances, to trust, to hope and to endure whatever comes."

Love is a tall order. Maybe that is the reason so few of us love well and why we need God's grace.

God of love, help us learn to love in the ways the Apostle Paul describes. Grant us patience, kindness, generosity, humility, courtesy, honesty, hope, and courage.

God of love, we thank you for hearing our prayer. Amen. Alleluia!

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Archdiocese Events

My Gen Rally

April 1 and April 2, 2017

O'Neill High School, Regina

Theme: Lead, Follow & Get out of the way

To Register check out the website @ www.mygenrally.ca

