

# Queen of Peace PREP Newsletter

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## PREP News

Remember, **October 28<sup>th</sup>** after the 3:30 p.m. Mass we will have our picnic and all are welcome. Feel free to invite anyone you would like neighbors, friends. I have put together a “Sign-Up Genius” for the event and any help you can provide will be very much appreciated. The link is <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4baca82fa0f85-queen1>

Remember we will not have class on Sunday, so please join us for this fun day.

## Upcoming Events

- ◆ October 26—  
Confirmation  
Mass 7:00 pm
- ◆ October 28 —  
Parish Picnic  
after 3:30 Mass
- ◆ November 3—  
9:00 – 3:00  
Father Cromly
- ◆ November — 5  
Vocation  
Sunday

## This week’s gospel... Give to Caesar and God

Nobody likes to pay taxes. That was as true for people in Jesus’ time as it is today. The Pharisees tried to get Jesus to take sides about the taxes that the Jews paid. Jesus asked to see the coin used to pay taxes, and someone in the group gave him one to examine. Jesus asked whose image was on the coin. They told him it was Caesar’s image. Jesus then uttered the now famous line: “Give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.”

This week the kids will discuss how to obey both civil and religious laws. And they will take a good look at where our first allegiance lies when the laws are in conflict.

Have a wonderful weekend and we will see you on Sunday.

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# Gospel for All Ages

## Last week's gospel... The Parable of the Wedding Feast

If you were invited to a party, would you go? In Sunday's gospel the guests who were invited did not come, so the host invited strangers. Even then, someone showed up without a wedding garment. God invites many to the great feast between Jesus and humankind, but even then it is possible to refuse the invitation. Let's come to the feast.

### Kindergarten and First Grade

This Sunday we reviewed what we have learned this year. We discussed how God created the world; how the Blessed Trinity is three people in one; and how Jesus had a family. We also colored placemats for the men in prison who are going on a spiritual retreat.



### Second and Third Grade

Your child learned how important the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation and the Ten Commandments are for those who are invited to Jesus' great feast. We discussed and reflected on invitations that we have offered and received. We made an invitation and we talked about ways that can include or reject other children. Ask your child if they can name any symbols of Baptism or the other sacraments.



### Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Grade News

This week's lesson began with a discussion of hunger and a story about some children who are doing something about hunger. The children learned basic facts about hunger in the United States and around the world. They also discovered how they can help Mary's Meal provide food for those children who don't have enough to eat.

You can maybe talk as a family about the experience of hunger and why Jesus might have used the story of a feast to tell about God's kingdom.



### Seventh/Eighth Grade News

This week, we broke down the Gospel. The king is God. The wedding feast is Heaven. Those that didn't come to the feast are people today who don't follow God's plan for us (and in Jesus' time it would have been the Jewish community who didn't listen to God's Son). The one who gets thrown out of the feast because he lacks a wedding garment is the one who isn't ready for the feast, for Heaven. We watched "Come to the Table" by Sidewalk Prophets. We are all invited; we only need to accept.

As we continue our lessons through Chosen, we discussed how the Holy Spirit is like a map. If you are full of the Holy Spirit, the devil can't come in. We can do this, in part, by taking time for God in our daily lives. The Holy Spirit nudges us in life.

Challenge of the week: Do an online search for "Catholic teen saints," Memorize the "Holy Spirit prayer," prepare a meal for someone you love, take 10 minutes of quiet prayer time, or be nice to teachers.