

Stewardship SECTOR

Highlight of the Month

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) is held on Sundays (except the last Sunday of each month) during the 9:00 AM Mass. CLOW provides preschoolers through First Communion with an age-appropriate introduction to the liturgy of the Mass. During our brief time together, we learn the rhythm of the liturgical year, the meaning of the Creed, the Liturgy of the Word, and the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

The children are dismissed after the opening prayer and walk to the Parish Center. The children return to the church during the presentation of gifts so they can celebrate the Eucharist.

As stated, CLOW is every Sunday EXCEPT Christmas and Easter breaks and the last Sunday of each month. Parents: please have your children use the restroom before Mass. You are also welcome to join if your child will be more comfortable with you present.

We need your help!

- ▶ **Grandparents and Older Adults:** Would you consider coming alongside a family as their prayer warrior? Nothing but prayer for them is required. Lois Heron will be standing at the back of church after Mass to distribute cards with family names to those interested in praying a hedge of protection around our families with children.
- ▶ **Woodworkers/Crafters:** We are looking for someone with carpentry skills to make a small kneeling bench and a liturgical calendar for us. Please get in touch with Lois Heron at (605)-261-9979.
- ▶ **Adults:** The diocese requires 2 adults to be present during Children's Liturgy. No preparation is required, just the warmth of your presence and your silent prayer for the children while we are learning. It would be great to have older adults volunteering to allow parents to remain in Mass. The rotation will be about every 5-7 weeks. Volunteers must go through a brief Safe Environment Training online. Please get in touch with Lois Heron at (605)-261-9979

*"The primary goal in the education of children is to teach, and to give examples of a virtuous life."
~St. John Chrysostom~*