

And a little child shall lead them.

ISAIAH 11:6



December 18, 2019 - Newsletter #4 - Dear Grade 2 Parents:

To date we have covered up to and including Chapter 11 in the textbook. The Christmas break would be a great time to review and catch up on any unfinished work.

Your child will receive the sacrament of reconciliation for the first time on January 15, 2020. In preparation, please review daily pages 11 and 12 in the reconciliation booklets (*Jesus Gives me His Peace*) sent home last week. It will also help if your child knows an Act of Contrition by heart. Finally, please help your child with the summary at pages 54 - 65 of *My Booklet of God's Love and Forgiveness* (booklets are to be kept at home). The more preparation YOU provide, the more comfortable your child will be with this beautiful sacrament.

Classes resume January 8, 2020 when I will provide a handout about Reconciliation along with a calendar for the last half of the year.

In the spirit of sharing, please consider a contribution to the parish food bank this Christmas. A donation box is at the back of the church. There is also a beautiful tradition in our parish of leaving gifts of diapers or baby blankets and clothing before the church manger during Christmas in support of mothers and mother-to-be in crisis. The children have been learning that whatever we do for others, we do for Jesus. And on that note ...

I wish you *all* the *PEACE* of Christ and the
JOY of sharing in the celebration of His birth.

Merry Christmas!