

Children's Formation

Advent Module Plans 2018

Dear Parents & Parishioners,

As we move through our extended Advent season, our young people will be engaged in two outreach activities and will share a poignant story with the parish on Christmas Eve in the form of a play. Children of all ages are invited to take part in producing Leo Tolstoy's adaption of the French folktale titled *Papa Panov's Special Christmas Day*. The story centers around an old shoemaker who spends Christmas day waiting for Jesus to come. At the end of the day, he is disappointed that Jesus did not visit him only to realize that Jesus was present in each of the people he served that day. The story in its entirety can be found here:

<http://americanliterature.com/author/leo-tolstoy/short-story/papa-panovs-special-christmas>.

The story quotes **Matthew 25: 35-40**:

³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶ I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

³⁷ "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?' ³⁸ When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you?' ³⁹ When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'

⁴⁰ "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

We look forward to finding a role or crew position for any interested young person. Please call me with any questions at 908-442-0892 (no text).

Peace,

Lindsay Wyglendowski



Upcoming Events

November 25

Listen to Papa Panov story
Decorate bags for Meals on Wheels

December 2

Listen to Papa Panov story and assign roles
Create blankets for Derek's Hugs

December 9

Rehearse Papa Panov for Christmas Eve Service
Continue bags and blankets

December 16

Rehearse Papa Panov for Christmas Eve Service
Complete bags & blankets

December 23

Dress rehearsal of Papa Panov for Christmas Eve Service

December 24

Papa Panov performance at the 4 pm Family Service
