

PREP NEWS
SUMMER 2017

It's hard to believe that we've already been out of class for a month, isn't it? Time really flies by! I really enjoy seeing all of you at Mass on Saturday night, though – and knowing we are all off the next day!

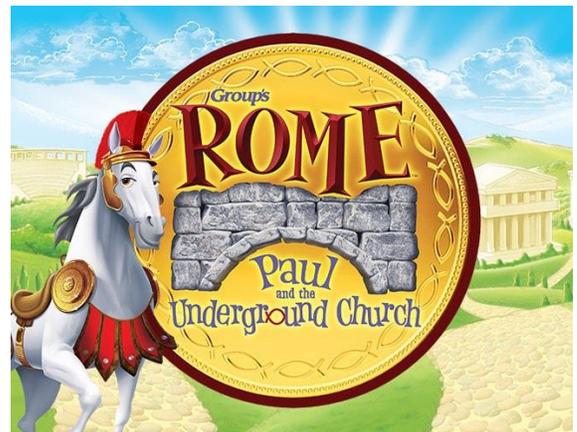
I'm going to start working on the lesson calendars for next year, so as soon as they are done I'll get them posted. Right now, I have to deal with getting Vacation Bible School finalized and ready to go for next week! So if you are looking for a fun learning experience that will also enrich your child's faith, look no more – ROME begins on June 12th and ends June 16th with an evening ice cream social!

This past weekend we celebrated the great feast of Pentecost! To me, this is one of our greatest Church holidays, because it says more than anything else that the Resurrection is real! The Apostles had SEEN Jesus – they had eaten with him on the shore, received his peace – but they were STILL hiding out in the upper room until the Holy Spirit blew the doors off! Think about that – in the space of a few minutes these scared men were suddenly inspired to run from their hiding place out through Jerusalem, which was filled at the time with Jews from many other nations, coming to visit the Temple. Each one heard them proclaiming that Jesus was the Son of God in their own language, and with such power and intensity that about three thousand people converted to follow the Way that day! This coming Sunday, we'll celebrate the Trinity – the mystery of our God who is Three in One – and the Sunday after that is the Feast of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Christ. So school may be out – but many great feasts of the Church are IN!

DON'T FORGET!

If you get your registration for next year in before June 30th, you get a \$15 discount off the first child and \$5 off any others! See papers at

**[REGISTRATION FOR PREP](#) and
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SMM Vacation Bible School
June 12th – 16th

Daily from 9:15am-12:15pm

Through music, crafts, Bible stories and games, your child will learn more about how our church began and grew throughout the world! For more information see our registration form at [VBS Registration Form 2017](#)



For you adults, in July don't forget we'll be celebrating the Feast of St. Mary Magdalen with a social in the rectory garden after the 5PM Mass on Saturday, July 22nd! This is always a fun evening with other parishioners – so watch for the signup sheets in the church vestibules and parish office!

Now that the Church is in Ordinary Time, the color is green – so let your faith grow!