

Dear Catechetical Colleagues,

Advent, as you know, is a time of waiting and preparation. This liturgical theme resonates with our ongoing transition to a new format for delivering our Faith Formation “Weekly Update.”

In the upcoming weeks, you will receive an email that contains the **“Chancery Weekly Mailing.”** It will provide you with a series of newsletters that are featured by ministry groups. Faith Formation will be easy to find. **When you click on Faith Formation, it will take you to our weekly update.** Your patience during this process is deeply appreciated and as always, please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or feedback!

Another highlight of the new link, is that new events and gathering will be prominently displayed at the top of the weekly email. This will offer you a quick glimpse of activities and promotional materials.

The other feature that we are very excited about is the new [resource webpage](#) that contains a wide range of catechetical themes with online videos and resource links. This webpage will continue to be expanded on a continual basis and offer you an easy way to access resources for classroom use.

Our featured “Essential Concept” this week is Liturgical Rites and the Liturgy of the Hours. You will find both of these topics covered under the [“Liturgy”](#) option from the dropdown menu.

Finally, as we come closer to celebrating Christmas, we will both be taking some vacation time and thus, we will have just one more newsletter coming up for the month of December. We are looking forward to 2018 and finding new ways that we can be of service to you. In particular, **Anne is hoping to schedule time to visit with many of you at your parishes to discuss future plans for updating catechist certification and to discuss the new proposed age for Confirmation.** Please either email Anne at anne.frederick@seattlearch.org or call her at 206-903-4614 to schedule a date for her to visit!

In Christ,

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