



CCB Parent Connector

St. Andrew, St. Mary & St. Theresa Parishes



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Hello parents,

For some of you, it is back to school for your children. For others, September usually means the traffic gets heavy again on the commute to work! Either way, the concept of going to school for almost 10 months, and then having a summer vacation each year is something most can relate too.

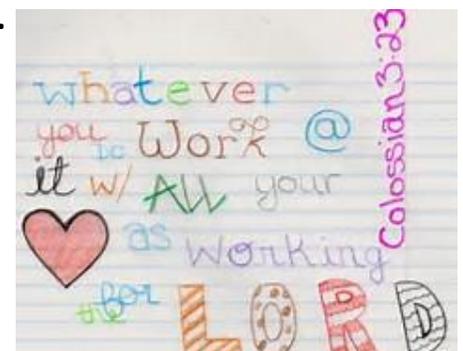
When I was younger, my mother used to tell me that my main “job” at that time in my life was to be a student. She considered homework, studying, and extracurricular activities to be included in that job description. Summer was a break (at least until I started working in the ninth grade!); and my “job” then was to play, read, do household chores and enjoy the time off from school. The idea of this being my “job” was funny to me. How could *play* be my “job”? Who was my boss? Where was my paycheck?

My mother was much wiser than I thought. Although “job” is generally defined as “a paid position,” it also means “duty or responsibility.” At different times in our life our duties and responsibilities change. For example, as parents our main “job” is to provide for and bring up our children according to God’s will. Children are gifts from God, gifts that He has given to us for His glory. It is our job to care for them with love, and to raise them to know Jesus. And with this job, there is no summer vacation. But the joys are immense! Whatever your various responsibilities or jobs are at this time in your life, remember this: *“Whatever you do, do from the heart, as for the Lord and not for others” (Colossians 3:23, NABRE).*

Prayer idea: Perhaps, as we enter into a new season, we can all stop and ask ourselves: What is my job at this time? What are my main responsibilities? How can I approach them with love, and perform them as to please God? Take these questions to prayer this week and ask for the Holy Spirit to help you in the tasks that are set before you right now.

Happy almost fall,

Adrienne



MOMS Group



Did you know about the CCB Moms Group????

A couple of months ago a few moms started getting together at St. Mary Church rectory on Wednesday mornings from 10 -11 AM. It is a great way to connect with other moms in the community! There is a CCB Moms Group Facebook page as well where you can communicate with the group. If you wish to be invited to the group please email me or Katy Oslin (katym.wood@gmail.com). The meeting time may change for the fall, so please let the group know if you plan to attend. All are welcome!



Small Faith sharing Groups forming this fall!

Are you interested in joining a small group to meet new people and discuss Scripture? Starting in October, small groups will be meeting weekly using the book "Signs and Wonders: Encountering Jesus of Nazareth." Feel free to respond to this email if you are interested in learning more about it! There will be bulletin announcements in the near future as well.

Children Learn What They Live

- If children live with criticism, they learn to condemn. If children live with hostility, they learn to fight.
- If children live with fear, they learn to be apprehensive.
- If children live with pity, they learn to feel sorry for themselves.
- If children live with ridicule, they learn to feel shy.
- If children live with jealousy, they learn to feel envy.
- If children live with shame, they learn to feel guilty.
- If children live with encouragement, they learn confidence.
- If children live with tolerance, they learn patience.
- If children live with praise, they learn appreciation.
- If children live with acceptance, they learn to love.
- If children live with approval, they learn to like themselves.
- If children live with recognition, they learn it is good to have a goal.
- If children live with sharing, they learn generosity.
- If children live with honesty, they learn truthfulness.
- If children live with fairness, they learn justice.
- If children live with kindness and consideration, they learn respect.
- If children live with security, they learn to have faith in themselves and in those about them.
- If children live with friendliness, they learn the world is a nice place in which to live.

