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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Religious Education Family Lent Kit Resources

1. Purpose. To provide spiritual support to Christian families for religious education during the 40 days of Lent leading up to Easter Sunday
2. Bags will be filled with Lent and Easter devotions and activity resources. We are not providing all the ingredients for the cooking items but they are common items people should have on hand.
3. Resources are based on the feedback received from families that used the Advent kits. The non-liturgical families have enjoyed learning more about Advent and Lent while doing the activities as well as the liturgical Protestant and Catholic families. Some families liked the once a day count down activities and others liked the once a week devotion with an activity so we are providing both so there are choices that fit all families. We are also providing a children's book with discussion points to read on Easter Sunday.
3. Here are the links:
 - a. Oriental Trading Company: General Lent craft which will have a devotion written to accompany it. <https://www.orientaltrading.com/pray-fast-give-lent-sign-craft-kit-a2-13935971.fltr?categoryId=550175+1967+1232> and bags to put everything in - <https://www.orientaltrading.com/religious-easter-goody-bags-a2-13757505.fltr?categoryId=551304+1967>
 - b. Creative Communications for the Parish. We purchased a themed kit that included: devotion book, conversation placemat, prayer/giving cube, Easter bookmark and magnet, and countdown calendar for children and adults. <https://www.creativecommunications.com/Products/WYWH/childrens-family-collection-collection.aspx> and <https://www.creativecommunications.com/Products/APBR/lent-2021-childrens-calendar.aspx?bCategory=CPLNT!CPCAL>
 - c. Illustrated Ministry: For Catholic families Stations of the Cross materials with devotional and coloring posters - <https://store.illustratedministry.com/products/stations-of-the-cross-devotional-guide?variant=38039272074>. For Protestant Families the Illustrated Ministry weekly Reflections on the Heart is Family Lent Devotion and activity <https://store.illustratedministry.com/collections/family-resources/products/an-illustrated-lent-for-families-reflections-on-the-heart?variant=32087960092770> – you will need to determine your “congregation size” for the price you pay and print off the materials for the kits and/or send digitally.
 - d. Concordia Publishing Company: My Happy Easter book with discussion- <https://www.cph.org/p-3323-my-happy-easter-book-arch-books.aspx>

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4. We are also including a devotion sheet for two food activities – making pretzels for Lent and Resurrection cookies. Not everyone will do the food activities but our homeschool families really like these hands on activities.

5. After our positive response to the Advent Kits, several moms volunteered to help plan, put together and deliver the Lent kits. We will also have two pick-up dates at one of the chapels. We are making 50 kits and will have extra calendars and adult devotion books for families without children that can be picked up at the chapels. We will ask families to take pictures while doing the activities that can be used for a storyboard after the events.

6. The Lent Kits will be publicized through the RSO Facebook page, CWOC and PWOC groups. A questionnaire will be sent out to the families after Easter asking for feedback.

7. The POC for this memorandum is the undersigned at 573-596-0089 or martha.a.strong.civ@mail.mil

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