School News

First Grade News: Mrs. Klein

First grade wrapped up our animal classification unit by doing a report on an animal, which then came together for a class book. In honor of President's Day, we learned about the job of being president and wrote all about why we would make a good president. We are now moving on to talk about elections and voting. We are ready to begin the Lenten season and are prepared to make a Lenten promise to God.

Second Grade News: Miss Franks

Second grade had a great and busy February! We began our research unit with a Black History paper and really enjoyed learning how to research independently! In Math we mastered telling time and blew Miss Franks away with how quickly we grasped the concept. This busy month was complete with our favorite day, TWOs DAY (2/22) where we celebrated all things two! Please keep second grade in your prayers as we begin our First Communion preparation. We have been waiting for this since the beginning of second grade and are so excited it's finally time!

Third Grade News: Ms. Polson

Third Grade had so much fun during Catholic Schools Week! We got to plan and prepare the Mass for Grandparents Day. We had a grand time at the Book Fair and playing BINGO. And we all loved the donuts. The Dance Party was a good time in the gym and watching Babe, the movie. The treat bags were a big hit. We cannot forget the Faculty Feud in the gym, watching teachers answer questions. Go YELLOW!! And a BIG thank you to our Room Moms, dads, and parents who helped out at our Valentine Party. We have little plants to remind us of their love for us.

Miss Decker: Art

Great month for art! First, congratulations to those who won the class artworks at the Black & Gold Auction! The Upper Students finished their 3D Initials and are displayed in the hallways if you stop by the school. Now they're finishing up Art History Posters that display an array of art styles from Prehistoric Art to Modern Day Art! Then the Early Childhood students got to read a book called "An Artist's Eyes" and learn a little bit more about Color Theory.

Mr. Leonard Kraudel: Science/STREAM (4-5-6-7-8) 4th Graders are learning about animal's shelters and defenses.

5th Graders are studying plants and will progress into learning about constellations, solar system, and sun. 6-7-8th Graders are finishing up with types and parts of waves: transverse waves and longitudinal waves.

Mrs. Christy Connor: Religion (6 & 8) Social Studies (5-8)

Religion: Grade six students have begun a section on the kings of Israel. They also learned how Samuel was the last and greatest judge.

Grade eight students have looked at the Council of Trent and the reforms made by the Catholic Church after the Protestant Reformation.

Social Studies: Grade 6: Sixth grade students are continuing their study of the continent of Asia. They recently have begun looking at Southeast Asia.

Grade 7: Seventh grade students are learning about society during the Middle Ages. They have studied manorialism and feudalism.

Grades 5 and 8: Both classes are looking at early 20th century America. The eighth grade is learning about the Progressive Era and the reforms of that time. The fifth grade is looking at the beginning or World War I.

Mr. Zach Almeida: Standard Math & Challenge Math (6-7-8) Pre Algebra, (7-8) Algebra (7-8)

Algebra 2: Students are graphing quadratic functions in vertex and standard form.

Challenge: Students are identifying angle relationships to solve for an unknown angle measure or variable.

Algebra 1: Students are factoring polynomials to find roots.

Pre-Algebra: Students are simplifying algebraic expressions, and solving single and multi-step equations.

FR. JOHN'S DIGITAL QUILL FOR SPIRITUAL MUSINGS AND PARISH NEWS

Second Week of Lent

With our celebration this Sunday, we are now getting well settled into Lent. We have many opportunities this week to honor this Holy Season.

Prayer Groups

On Monday, Fr. John will hold a prayer group at 2:00pm in church. We will focus on the Gospel for next Sunday and discuss how it still impacts our life today.

On Tuesday at 9:30am, Pam Hager will facilitate a prayer group focusing on Scripture as well.

All are welcome to attend either or both of these meetings. They do not build on one another so you can come to a meeting or miss as your schedule dictates.

Tuesday Evening

For those looking to attend Mass or the sacraments more often, we will have confessions from 6:15-6:45pm, Mass at 7:00pm, followed by a Rosary with reflections. Rosary with reflections means that there will be a short meditation before each Hail Mary.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration will be in church this week on Monday and Wednesday from 3:00-9:00pm.

Currently, we are not planning to hold Eucharistic Adoration next week (the week of March 13) due to school spring break. If there is significant desire to have Eucharistic Adoration next week, I am happy to reconsider this.

Public Praying of the Rosary

As we continue to focus on the Rosary during this Holy Season of Lent, we will pray the Rosary publicly on Wednesday and Friday mornings at 6:30am. These prayers are also livestreamed on our YouTube channel and you can pray with us live or on demand.

In Need of a Rosary?

A parishioner asked me to pass along a website in case you are looking for a new Rosary: https://cathyscross.com/. This website was started to remember someone who passed tragically in a skiing accident. The site has many great Rosaries for all occasions.

Visits from Fr. John or our Pastoral Care Ministry

Sometimes it is hard to celebrate Lent, especially if you are sick or homebound. If you are in need of the sacraments, Holy Communion, or would just like someone to come by and pray with you, please contact the parish office.

Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross will be prayed immediately following the 7:00am Mass on Friday. You can also livestream or hear the audio on demand on our YouTube channel.

Parish Rosary Program

Thank you to those who have turned in intention cards to pray the Rosary. There are now 26 people offering 74 Rosaries and 98 Decades each week for the intention listed in the bulletin.

This week, our prayer intention is that the Lord will permit many who have been away from the Church to return this Easter. Would you like to pray with us and see that number of Rosaries increase? If so, please fill out this intention card and return it in the Offertory.

I will see you online or in church! - Fr. John #SRAstrong

P.S. We will take up a second collection next weekend to assist the victims of the earthquakes in Syria and Turkey.

I commit to participating in the parish Rosary Program	I will pray	Every:
(Name Optional)	Decade(s)	Day
	Rosary(ies)	Week