

St. Agnes School Newsletter

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Principal's Corner

As these weeks of Lent unfold, I thought I would share some prayers that might help each of us focus on living Lent in a purposeful and purpose-filled way. Perhaps, this week each of us could take a moment to pray this prayer:

Our Father and Mother in Heaven, let your will and not mine be done. Hallowed by Your name and not mine on earth and in Heaven. Give me this day my daily bread and help me not worry about tomorrow. Forgive me my sins and give me a spirit of forgiveness for the sins of others. Lead me away from temptation and trouble and deliver me from my own evil and that of others. And, help me keep my eyes not on the world's fleeting power and glory today but on Your Kingdom, Your power, and Your glory forever.

O God, let fear die and conviction be born in my life. Let your light dawn in my mind as the day dawns on the earth. Let me not be so busy hurrying into the future and worrying about the past that I lose today, the only day I really have.

God, help me do what I know I have to do today, and leave tomorrow to You. God, help me always give You the right-of-way in my life. Amen

Start your day off with this prayer and at days end pray it again to see how well you lived out the prayer. Did this prayer leave your lips and drive your day?

Important Dates, Information, and Update

Don't Forget!

Tonight is the fingerprinting night. The Diocese will be here at 3:00PM through 7:00PM. Every parent accompanying children on an overnight field trip must be fingerprinted. The cost is \$25.00. You are to make the check out to St. Agnes School and the Diocese will then bill us for the costs. If you do not have your fingerprints done here you may go to the police department at a cost of \$80.00.

Re-registration

Almost 2/3 of the school year has been completed and we need to re-register for the 2010-2011 school year. The re-registration form is in the family envelope. You need to complete the form and return it to school so we know of any possible vacancies. At the end of this week we begin testing of new families and potential Kindergarten children so the information on your form will be very helpful to us. We would appreciate the completion of the re-registration form as soon as possible. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Auction info

The family donation is due tomorrow, Thursday, February 25th. The Auction Committee appreciates your cooperation in this matter as

they need to create the evening's Auction program and want all items to be included.

See's Candy

The Easter sale of See's chocolates begins today, February 24th and ends Friday, March 5th. Orders will be delivered on Monday, March 29th. A brochure is in the family envelope. They have added products this year and changed pricing. Only the items in the brochure are available and NO SCRIP can be used to purchase the items. PACE receives a 50% profit from the orders. When purchasing your goodies, make checks payable to St. Agnes School. Please direct all questions regarding to either Jennifer Groth at 672-8462 or Nancy Wentworth at 5676-3365. Thank you for your continued support of our fundraising efforts!

Ice Cream Sale

Towards the end of our last school year ice cream was sold after school outside of Cauchi Hall. The proceeds of the ice cream sale will go towards additional tuition assistance. Ice cream will be sold beginning next Wednesday, March 3rd and all Wednesday's after that until school ends. All ice cream will cost \$1.00.

Soles 4 Souls

It was announced last week that we would be collecting shoes for the people of Haiti. The Shoe Drive began on February 18th and will end on March 18th. Please bring

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gently used shoes and drop them off in the boxes located outside of the school office and/or faculty room door. Clean out your closets and donate shoes you are not wearing to a very good cause, as your extra pair of shoes could be their only pair.

Summer School

If you want your child to have a summertime learning experience, contact Queen of All Saints for a summer school application. With all the budget cuts, there will not be public summer school programs. QAS will have a full day experience with academics in the AM and enrichment in the PM. Extended care will operate until 5:45PM too. If interested, you should contact QAS soon at 685-8700 for more information.

Accelerated Reading

Week Twenty of our Accelerated Reading reporting is here. I am pleased to announce that we increased our score to 17,240 points earned towards our goal of 25000 points by year's end. We are at almost 69% of our total goal. Please continue to monitor the bulletin board outside the school office. It is being updated weekly.

Contacts

Each month, a representative from PACE and School Board make themselves available to speak with you regarding any concerns, ideas, compliments, suggestions etc., you might have. For the month of February, Christina Pauline will be

the PACE Representative. She can be reached at 672-7781. Lorie Johnson will be the School Board Representative and she can be reached at 787-4450. Please give either of them a call if you would like something to be shared. Thanks!

Prayers Please

Your prayers are requested for the Macy and Romano families. Please pray for Doug Macy (8th grade) and his two sisters who both graduated from here, as they mourn the death of their paternal grandmother. Please also remember the Romano family, Carina (8th grade) as they mourn the death of her uncle Roger who died from cancer.

Quotable Quotes

Some quotes to think and reflect upon as the week unfolds.

Robert Frost said, "Half the world is composed of people who have something to say and can't and the other half who have nothing to say and keep on saying it."

Haile Selassie once said, "Throughout history, it has been the inaction of those who could have acted, the indifference of those who should have known better, the silence of the voice of justice when it mattered most, that has made it possible for evil to triumph in our world."

And Scripture says it, this way (Book of Ecclesiasticus 4:23) "Do not refrain from speaking at the crucial time."

Help Needed

We are in the process of cleaning our HVAC system in each classroom. One of our former parents, Dan Russell is heading this endeavor. If you can help him this Friday from 9:00AM to 3:00PM please contact Dan at 915-9508.

You will be given double the hours for your work. If you have a shop vacuum, cordless drill, screw drivers, or putty knife, bring them with you too.

Father Vince Needs You!

Father needs help in his backyard garden. He needs 3 volunteers during the day who can work on weekdays only. If you can help him next week could you let Mrs. Kelley in the school office know. Father greatly appreciates your help.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday, February 26th

No school due to Diocesan Staff Development

Saturday, February 27th

New Kinder Testing
8:30AM to 2:30PM

Tuesday, March 2nd

Reconciliation grades
2nd through 8th

Formal Dress for all students