

Principal's Thoughts

Catholic Schools Week begins this Sunday and we are very excited! We will begin with Mass at 9AM, followed by hospitality, classroom visits and tours led by our wonderful Student Council members. The Book Fair will be operating in full gear and promises to be a popular destination! Don't worry if it's too crowded, each class has a scheduled time to visit during the week to make their purchases. This week Catholic schools across the Nation will be finding ways to celebrate their individual school as well as catholic education in general. Many activities have been planned at St. Agnes each day as well to help us recognize all the people that make our school united in faith and community. A calendar of events has been included in your envelope so you can get the necessary clothing items ready ahead of time. Each morning we will gather in community for prayer outside at 8AM. We have so much for which to be thankful, please know you are more than welcomed to join us!



<u>Dismissal Update</u>

A few gentle reminders about afternoon pickup procedures to keep our families safe:

- <u>(Church Side)</u>: Enter only at the far end of the property (Chapel side,) drive around the church and onto the playground forming six lines with <u>6 cars</u> in each line.
 - Please remain in your car.
 - When directed to exit, proceed to the driveway between the church and the Ministry Building, you may turn either right or left.
- Park & Pickup: Please park in designated parking spots.
 - After children are picked up from the porch, please walk toward the Ministry Center.
 - Children may not run or play in this area.
 - When crossing to your car, use designated crosswalks <u>only when cars are not exiting</u> <u>the property</u>. When cars stop to let people cross, it interrupts the flow of traffic.
 - Cars may only exit the property from the driveway next to the Ministry Center not the chapel side.



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BREAKING NEWS

HELP!

- The Social Co-chairs are in need of more helpers to welcome visitors to Open House by serving coffee and donuts right after Mass this Sunday, January 28th.
- They want to make sure there are enough people to manage the tables and still let people take turns visiting classrooms.
- Please contact Deanna Jee or Jennifer Stojanovich if you can help! Thanks in advance.

CYO Basketball Yearbook Pictures - Friday, January 26th

- Calling all basketball players to bring their jerseys to school this Friday for a group picture for the yearbook.
- Don't' forget!

• The Free Little Library Returns!

- The Girl Scouts returned the refurbished Little Free Library this past Sunday. It has been repainted and the original handprints (from the 2019 Troop 30580) have been preserved in yellow/gold paint. Troop 30429 added their handprints in silver--for the Girl Scout tradition of friendship reflected in the song *Make New Friends*, but keep the old, one is silver and the other gold.
- This is a lending library so students can swap out books as needed for FREE! Enjoy!
- Thank you girls! Job well done!

• Mark Your Calendars-February 6th

- \circ $\,$ The Science Fair is rapidly approaching and is an event you don't want to miss.
- The 6th and 7th grade students will be showcasing their projects and are prepared to answer your questions or present their findings to you.
- The 8th graders have been busy building bridges to test their knowledge of physics and engineering. They will compete for which design will hold the most weight!

Double Volunteer Hours!

- \circ $\,$ The old storage containers behind Cauchi Hall have been removed.
- \circ $\,$ We need volunteers to help prepare the area so the new container can be delivered.
- If you can help on Saturday, February 3rd starting at 9AM, you will receive double hours toward your volunteer commitment. Please call the school office to sign up.

Applications Current Parents?

• Younger children eligible for kindergarten need an application turned in by Wed. 1/31.



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Budget Time!

- The finance committee will be meeting to forecast our expenses, analyze enrollment trends and set tuition rates for the 2024-2025 school year.
- Please remember that the more families enrolled, the greater impact this has on the budget and ultimately your family budget. There is still time to spread the word!!!

Intent to Return

- The Intent to Return form is due this Friday. Half of your non-refundable registration fee (\$250) will be charged to your FACTS incidental account, on February 1st and will be due and payable on February 15th.
- If you are not returning, it will be sad for us but important to know.

• Did You Know?

- Our Preschool is growing! We have expanded our hours to 3:15 AND we are now licensed for 23 students!
- Parents now have the option of a half or full day program. More information and applications can be found on our website under the preschool tab!



Let the Show Begin!

- The St. Agnes Eras Tour (a.k.a. annual talent show) is scheduled for THIS Friday, January 26th in the church and is a FREE event!
- \circ $\,$ Join us to be entertained by many talented students! Snacks will also be on sale.

• <u>G4!</u>

- A flyer will all the details for our upcoming Bingo party can be found in your envelope.
- Mark your calendars for February 9th from 6-9:30 p.m. in the church hall.
- o Bring a friend!

Weekly Schoolwide Learning Expectation: 1.4 – A faith centered person living the Gospel message who is able to express compassion for others, locally and globally, through gifts of time, talent and treasure.



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• Volunteers Needed!

The Auction Committee is looking for volunteers to help with clean-up after the event. It's a great way to earn your hours because it's a 4 hour commitment, but you also get a **bonus of 2** additional hours for helping due to the late hours of clean-up for a total of 6 hours!! If you are interested, please click on the link to sign-up: <u>2024 Auction: Grease is the Word</u> (signupgenius.com)

	IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS
1/22-	Stocking Stuffer Non-Uniform Dress
1/26	Week
1/25	School Board Meeting 6:30 – Ministry
	Center
1/26	Coffee Social 7:45-?
	Scrip Sold 9-11
	Intent to Return forms Due
	Talent Show
1/28	Open House Mass 9AM
	Open House 10-12
	Book Fair 10-1
1/29	We Celebrate Community-Theme Day
1/30	We Celebrate Students-Bee Day
1/31	We Celebrate the Nation
	• 8 th Grade NAEP Test!
2/1	We Celebrate Vocations-Fr. Luke Day
2/2	We Celebrate Faculty, Staff &
	Volunteers
	Mass 1:30 (Formal Dress)



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