



Principal's Thoughts

Canonization Part II: This past Sunday, Blessed Carlo Acutis was canonized as the first millennial saint. He was born in 1991 and was only 15 when he passed away from Leukemia. He was devoted to Jesus and from the age of 7, when he received the Sacrament of First Holy Eucharist, never missed daily Mass. He stated: "The Eucharist is the highway to heaven." St. Carlo was also dedicated to regularly reciting the Rosary and preferred to do this during Adoration. He is a wonderful role model for our youth and one they should relate to easily. A popular picture of him shows him dressed in jeans, polo shirt and sneakers. He was considered a computer genius and enjoyed web design and computer programming. The use of these skills led him to create an exhibition as well as a website to share with the world 187 Eucharistic Miracles.

St. Agnes School Mission Statement

St. Agnes School, in partnership with the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Oakland educate children in the Catholic faith and nurture their minds, bodies, and souls, inspiring them to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, achieve their highest academic and creative potential, and actively serve and enrich the community.

Wheel-a-Thon (WAT)

September 26, 2026

- *The WAT is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year and all monies are used toward class field trips. No other money will be collected for these trips.*
- *Various flyers are being sent home today and need your attention. The WAT packet offers additional information about this fundraiser as well as schedules, important notes, prize list and due dates.*
- *A map is included to show the special drop off and pickup procedures for the day.*
- *We will use Pledgestar for any donations your child receives. This online platform allows family and friends not in the area, to participate. Children electing not to ride can still secure pledges for cheering on their classmates. Please remember ALL students benefit from these class field trips.*
- *Permission slips are mandatory for a student to participate. The form has been included in your family envelope. Please complete this ASAP and simply send it back in your family envelope.*

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- **Family Handbook Acknowledgement Due TOMORROW**
 - The Acknowledgement form must be signed by all parents and students and is **due tomorrow, September 11th**.
 - The 2025-2026 Family Handbook can be found under the Parents tab in the Resources and Forms section on our website.
- **Scrip Statements**
 - The first statement of the year has been included in your envelope today. This accounting includes all purchases from May 1, 2025-September 7, 2025.
 - The most important section of this statement is the which shows you the amount you have raised (Total Credit) toward the scrip goal of \$300.
- **Altar Server Ministry Training**
 - Calling all children in grades 3 and above who have received the Sacraments of Eucharist and Reconciliation to consider becoming an altar server.
 - Several dates to attend a training have been scheduled for your convenience: October 11, 18 or 25. Once trained students will shadow more experienced Servers during Sunday Mass and school liturgies.
 - A flyer has been included in your envelope today.
- **First Children's Liturgy of the Year**
 - The 8th grade and Kinder students will be hosting the first children's liturgy on Sunday, September 21st at 9am. We encourage as many students as possible in ALL grades to attend.
 - **A non-uniform dress pass will be given to all students in attendance.**
- **New Grass**
 - Our grass is dying due to too much traffic on our lawns. We ask that everyone use the porch and stairs when visiting our campus so our newly seeded areas can take hold.
 - **Please be extra careful during pickup time if you are gathering your children from the porch.**
- **No School Friday**
 - Our staff will be attending a gathering of all educators for the Diocese of Oakland at the Cathedral this Friday.
 - There will be no school offered. Happy three-day weekend!



TIME SENSITIVE

- **A Gift for Your Family**

- A book titled: Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families was sent home last week with the hope that it will enhance your faith formation as it pertains to the readings for each Sunday.
- A Gospel reading and reflection for the day is included. There are conversation starters or thought provoking prompts to read on the way to Mass and on the way home. Finally there is a section titled Living the Word with suggestions on how to put your faith in action. I hope you enjoy this book and it gets used often!

- **Scrip Close-Out Sale**

- Due to low demand, the following scrip vendors will be moved to special order status: Applebees, Carrows, Regal and Walgreens (\$25 & \$100.) They are listed on the back of the scrip order form.
- We have a limited number of these cards on hand. If you purchase these cards, you will receive double credit toward your scrip goal. Available only while supply lasts.

- **Little Vinnie's Helpers Unite!**

- Calling junior high students interested in volunteering in the Little Vinnies Ministry to attend a kick-off meeting on Thursday, September 18th from 3:15-4:15 in the Ministry Center.
- A flyer with more information can be found in your family envelope.



- **Thank you for Attending!**

- Our Welcome Back Social was a wonderful event. Thank you to Rachelle Daco for taking the lead to make sure this event took place. We appreciate Skips for allowing us the use of this space and their hospitality. Such a great way to start our school year!

- **We Need You**

- Our events cannot to place without you. We are still in need of the following chair people: Mother Son Co-Chair and Reindeer Lane Chair. Please consider giving of your time to ensure we can have these much loved opportunities for our students.

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Virtue

Virtues are dispositions and habits that guide your decision making and action steps to the positive. Through virtues, God gives us the grace to live as we should and to be charitable with all mankind.

Weekly Virtue: Orderliness (related to the Cardinal Virtue of Temperance)


Definition of Orderliness: Keeping oneself physically clean and neat and one's belongings in good order. (SLE: conscientious student.)

Prayer for Orderliness:

Oh Infinite Beauty, in Your wisdom, You created all things with perfect order. Orderliness brings peace, beauty, harmony, and joy! Please help me to keep order in my own life so that I may respect those things.

Looks Like: Picking up after yourself. Using a planner to keep track of homework.

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.

	IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS
9/10	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School Pictures Grs. PS-3-Formal
9/11	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School Pictures Grs. 4-8 Formal• Scrip Sold 9-11am• School Board Meeting 6:30pm Cauchi Hall
9/12	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No School-Elementary Staff Day• NO SCRIP SALES TODAY
9/14	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross Jn3:13-17• Happy Birthday Fr. Luke!
9/16	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Spirit T-Shirt Tuesday
9/19	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 8:15 Mass 6 Gr. Formal
9/20	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work Party 9am-1pm