

A Prayer for Our School (written by First grade)

Thank You Lord, for making our world. Thank You for creating us! This Lent, help us to remember that you died on the cross so we could live. Amen

Special Dates

Friday, Feb. 16 Fish Fry, 5pm - 7pm
Saturday, Feb. 17 Raffle ticket sales after Mass
Sunday, Feb. 18 Last day to sell raffle tickets; sales after Masses
Monday, Feb. 19 No School - Presidents Day
Tuesday, Feb. 20 All raffle tickets returned to school
Friday, Feb. 23 Middle School Science Fair
Feb. 24 - 25 "Space Pirates" performances
Feb. 29 - Mar. 1 Parent/Teacher Conferences
Mar 15-Mar 17 Lenten 40 Hours Devotion

Save the date!

Tuesday, May 14 Spring Concert, 6pm

Congratulations!

Band Honors - Four middle school students were nominated for the University of MN-Duluth Junior High Honor Band Festival. This event takes place at the end of February and gives top junior high band students from around the state the opportunity to meet other players and play together in a large group. Congratulations to Isa, Ben, Caydence and Jessica!

Valentine donation - Second and third grade students raised over \$160 selling Valentines cards and trinkets before school. All items were donated, and the money was part of the Ash Wednesday offering today for the Capital Campaign. A special thank you to Mrs. Rodriguez for coordinating this and managing the sales force!

Reminders

Registration - Tomorrow, February 15th, the \$200 registration fee will be charged through TADS for the 2024-2025 school year for all enrolled students.

Also, families with a new preschooler can now enroll in TADS. The technical issue with the site has been fixed. We are excited to welcome your child!

Illness - Several students have been dealing with a variety of illnesses in our building recently, including strep throat, stomach virus, influenza, mono, and Covid. Please be extra vigilant with your child(ren)'s health, and notify the office of any symptoms that may be keeping them home.

Events

Raffle Tickets - Time is almost up! The last day to sell or purchase raffle tickets is Sunday, Feb. 18th. Having trouble selling? Sign up now to sell at our Fish Fry, or after Masses this weekend. Use this link: [Raffle](#) All tickets, sold and unsold, **must** be returned to the school office by Tuesday, Feb. 20th.

Ashland Productions - Students have been working diligently to create a memorable performance of "Space Pirates" and it's almost showtime! Tickets are on sale now for the performances on Feb. 24th and 25th. To purchase your \$10 tickets, follow this link: [Ashland](#)

Parent/Teacher Conferences - Teachers are excited to meet with parents for Parent/Teacher conferences at the end of this month. Please use this link to sign up for a time to meet with your child's teacher: [Conferences](#) Begin by selecting your child's teacher at the top, then select a time to meet. Ms. Wistl will be available for drop in conferences throughout the conference timeframe.

40 Hours Devotion - Transfiguration will be having our Lenten 40 Hours of Adoration March 15th - March 17th. This time of Adoration is a great opportunity for families to grow closer to Christ during Lent. If you would like to sign up as an adorer, follow this link: [40 Hours](#) However, you do not need to sign up to come! Adorers are welcome any time during the devotion.

Mrs. B.'s Bulletin

Research shows that the preschool-8th grade school model is the best for students, both academically and socially. I have been witnessing this firsthand. Today our Middle School students really stepped up to help our preschool and kindergarten students at Mass. The middle schoolers slip right into the leadership role they prepare for, and the younger students trust them to care for them. This trust has been built through buddy activities (one just yesterday!), reading sessions, and common school activities. These shared experiences help to teach compassion, empathy, patience, and self-discipline, all essential qualities for a Christian disciple. Next week our middle schoolers will be presenting their science fair projects to students throughout the building, inspiring younger children to greater learning, while modeling strong leadership and expertise.

At the Christmas program in December, one middle schooler marveled at how adorable our younger students looked in their Sunday best. She came from a school that was only 6-8th grade, and was absolutely delighted to be able to be around younger children. She has a natural gift for working with children, and being in our environment has allowed her to use and grow her gifts. Though students don't buddy with other grades every day, when they do they create moments and friendships kids will remember long after they leave our hallways.