

February Newsletter

God Doesn't Tweet, but We Still Follow Him

Exercise daily! Walk with the Lord!

A well-known speaker started off his seminar by holding up a \$20.00 bill. In the room of 200, he asked, "Who would like this \$20 bill?" Hands started going up. He said, "I am going to give this \$20 to one of you but first, let me do this. He proceeded to crumple up the \$20 dollar bill. He then asked, "Who still wants it?" Still the hands were up in the air.

Well, he replied, "What if I do this? And he dropped it on the ground and started to grind it into the floor with his shoe. He picked it up, now crumpled and dirty.

"Now, who still wants it? Still the hands went into the air. My friends, we have all learned a very valuable lesson. No matter what I did to the money, you still wanted it because it did not decrease in value. It was still worth \$20.

Many times in our lives, we are dropped, crumpled, and ground into the dirt by the decisions we make and the circumstances that come our way. We feel as though we are worthless. But no matter what has happened or what will happen, you will never lose your value. Dirty or clean, crumpled or finely creased, you are still priceless to those who DO LOVE you. The worth of our lives comes not in what we do or who we know, but by WHO WE ARE.

You are special - don't EVER forget it. "Count your blessings, not your problems. And remember: amateurs built the ark...professionals built the Titanic." If God brings you to it – He will bring you through.

Don't ever lose sight of the fact that God loves you no matter what. Strive to see the worth of all those that you encounter each day.

(From the Internet)

Student of the Month

The characteristic trait for January was faith.
Congratulations to the Students of the Month.

Rm. 17	Jessica McLaughlin
Rm. 23	Jacob Brescia
Rm. 19	Gavin Kilroy
Rm. 20	Emma Hand
Rm. 28	Kwesi Banahene
Rm. 29	Richard McKay
Rm. 32	Gabrielle Giampa
Rm. 27	Sarah Hoger
Rm. 30	Daniel Alper
Rm. 13	Allison McLaughlin
Rm. 14	Thomas Cerruti
Rm. 10	Ryan Dorofy
Rm. 15	Nina Marinucci
Rm. 3	Michael Carolan
Rm. 5	Nicole Magalhaes
Rm. 2	Luke Elitz
Rm. 7	Sage McKay

Registration

New Student Registration (PreK 4 to 8th grade) will take place on Wednesday, February 8th from 9-11 AM and 6-7 PM in the main office. PreK 4 children must be 4 years old by September 1st. Kindergarten children must be 5 years old by September 1st. If you are registering, please come prepared with:

- Birth Certificate
- Baptismal Certificate
- Immunization Record
- \$ 75.00 registration fee for one child or \$120.00 for two or more children

Re-Registration

Re-Registration materials will be sent home soon. The registration fee is \$75 for one child or \$120 for two or more children. Please return the signed Registration Form with your registration fee to the Main Office – Attn. Mrs. Bacanskas.

For the 2017-2018 school year everyone must **re-register online for Smart Tuition**. The lunch, art, and computer fee will be collected by Smart Tuition.

If you know that your child/children will not be returning to Saint Jerome School next year, please send a note to the Main Office. We need to approximate our enrollment for next year to plan the number of classroom, books, etc.

Progress Reports

Progress Reports for the second trimester will be available on My Students Progress beginning (2/1). Paper copies will not be sent home. Please sign on to MSP to see your child's Progress Report.

Morning Car Line Procedures

There are two lanes available for drop off in the morning. Please pull over close to the sidewalk in front of church if you are planning to use lane #1 so cars will be able to go around to lane #2. Parents that walk their children to the ramp should come into the yard and park in a parking spot then walk their child across the lot. No parent should leave their vehicle in line to walk a child or their project or cupcakes etc. to the ramp.

When dropping off - The cars in the first lane should pull up so that the first car makes the turn stopping just before the second lane. The first 3 cars should unload at this point. Please do not wait to be first in line if you are one of the first 3 cars as this will slow down the process. **The cars in the second lane should pull up to the end of the lane and the first 2 cars should unload.** Please be aware of children crossing from lane #2. **Cars should not pull up next to the ramp or next to the boiler building by the church.**

Catholic Schools Week

We will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week from January 29th to February 3rd. We will have an **Open House & Book Fair from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM on January 29th**. Everyone is invited to join us. On **Monday, Jan 30th**, the students will begin an academic tournament. They will clean up the yard and property in the afternoon. **Tuesday, Jan 31st** will be a day for the students. They may dress-down and wear crazy hats. The Home & School will provide a breakfast of cereal and milk. The teachers will change grades for part of the afternoon. **Wednesday, Feb. 1st**, is Faculty & Staff Appreciation Day with a noon Dismissal. **Thursday, Feb. 2nd** the primary grades will write letters to soldiers and Grades 5 to 8 will write letters to our leaders to remind them of the importance of Catholic Schools. Our celebration of Catholic Schools Week will end on **Friday, Feb 3rd** with the celebration of Mass at 9:30 AM after which the children will meet with their prayer partners.