

† ST. LAWRENCE SCHOOL

“His Banner Over Us Is Love”

Dear St. Lawrence School Families,

Catholic Schools Week is finally here! There are so many exciting events happening at St. Lawrence School this week! Yesterday, we started the week off with our school mass in the church. It was so beautiful to hear the students singing, doing the readings, and participating in many different parts of the mass. Our preschoolers had a “Dress Like A Penguin” day where they wore black and white and learned about winter animals. Please review the Catholic Schools Week Schedule attached to the Newsflash for information about all of the fun activities that our students will be participating in throughout the week.

I would like to thank Avery Wegman (5th Grade), Kristen Schulz (5th Grade), Elena Mallare (4th Grade), and Avery Martone (3rd Grade) for speaking at St. Lawrence Church during the masses this past weekend to kick off our Catholic Schools Week. Their words helped to excite everyone about Catholic Schools Week and truly highlighted the wonderful education that our students receive at St. Lawrence School! Thank you to Mrs. Morgan for helping these students prepare their speeches.

Our Book Fair and Art Show in Deacon Hall after the masses this weekend were a big success! Thank you to Mrs. Cellura for putting together the wonderful Coffee Social after the 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM masses on Sunday. I would especially like to thank Mrs. Fraser for organizing and running this year’s Book Fair and Mrs. Viggiani for putting together such a beautiful Art Show.

Today, our school participated in a Day of Service. The students in grades K-2 put together brown bag lunches for the Open Door Mission to help feed local members of our community who are in need. Thank you to Lisa Martone for delivering our lunches today. Our students in grades 3-5 traveled to a local Rochester charter school to read and provide literacy activities for Kindergarten and 1st Grade students. Our preschool students also got involved by creating Valentine posters for residents at a local nursing home. This was a great opportunity for our students to learn about the importance of helping others and giving back to those in our community who are in need. It was so wonderful to see how much joy our students experienced by making a difference in the lives of others!

Tonight, we will be having our annual Open House beginning at 6:30 PM in the school building. Please don’t forget to stop by Deacon Hall at 7:00 PM for our Book Fair, Art Show, and Family Fun Night event where students will have the opportunity to participate in math and literacy and movement activities. We hope to see you all there!

Tomorrow, our 5th graders will be attending a special Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral celebrated by Bishop Matano. In honor of Catholic Schools Week, students from each of the Diocese’s Catholic Schools will be attending. We are very lucky to have some of our 5th graders acting as greeters and singing in the choir for this Mass. Since only selected students are able to participate in the Mass, the *Catholic Courier* will be live streaming the Mass on its Facebook page for the remaining school community, as well as for parents, families and all those interested in viewing the Mass. You will be able to find the live stream on the Catholic Courier’s Facebook page starting around 9:45 AM tomorrow, Wednesday, January 31st. The link is <https://www.facebook.com/CatholicCourier/> and there will also be a link to the stream on the homepage of the Catholic Courier website at www.catholiccourier.com.

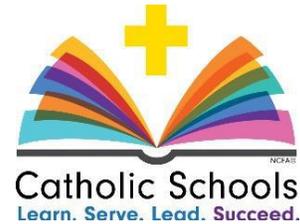
We will also be honoring our local first responders tomorrow by inviting them to have lunch with the students in the gymnasium. On Thursday, our bus drivers will be honored in the afternoon with a special blessing and social in the school building. We also have Crazy Hair Day on Thursday and Roller Skating and Team Jersey Day on Friday. Please remember that all hair designs, colorings, and styles for Crazy Hair Day should be done at home before coming to school. The students, faculty, and staff are so excited to participate in all of these fun events this week to celebrate Catholic Schools!

The Reddington Scholarship Fund is now accepting applications for the 2018-2019 school year. This is a financial needs based scholarship to students in good standing. If you are interested in applying, the cover letter and application can be found on our website under the For The Parents tab. Please have your child give his or her application to Mrs. Riedman to fill out the guidance counselor portion before mailing it out. The application deadline is April 30, 2018. Good luck to all of our applicants!

I hope you are all enjoying our Catholic Schools Week events. As always, thank you for all that you do for our students.

God Bless,

Frank Arvizzigno
Principal



Catholic Schools Week	1/29-2/2
Report Cards Available on MSP	2/6
Walkathon Wednesday	2/7
February/August Birthday Lunch	2/8
Current Family Registration Due	2/9
Ash Wednesday Mass 8:30am	2/14
February Break – No School	2/19-2/23
Read Across America	3/2
Quiet School Mass 8:30 am	3/7
March Birthday Lunch	3/8
Fine Arts Night	3/14
11am Dismissal – No After School Care	3/16
St. Patrick’s Day Parade	3/17

Catholic Schools Week Reminders

- **Tonight** - Open House and Book Fair/Art Show/Family Fun Night 6:30-8pm
- **Wednesday** – Spirit Day! - The students will also have an opportunity to shop at the Book Fair with their classmates. If you would like your child to shop, please send money in for them in an envelope tomorrow morning.
- **Thursday** – Crazy Hair Day (regular uniforms)
- **Friday** – Team Jersey Day! If your child is participating in the Roller Skating Party, be sure they have turned in their permission slip. Helmets are Required!

Today’s Envelope includes:
Lunch Volunteer Opportunity
Talent Show Sign Up

Preschool Kicking off Catholic Schools Week with “Dress Like A Penguin” Day



Day of Service

