



Weekly News for the Week of March 2nd, 2020

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Upcoming Events

Monday, March 2nd

- Family Life
- DC Parent Meeting, 7pm in LMR

Tuesday, March 3rd

- Family Life
- SuperSports, 3:15pm
- Spring Musical Rehearsal, 2:30pm - 4:30pm

Wednesday, March 4th

Thursday, March 5th

- Chorus, 2:45pm - 3:30pm

Friday, March 6th

- Band/Violin Lessons
- Spring Play Rehearsal, 2:30pm - 4:30pm
- Lenten Fish Fry

Upcoming Events:

- 3/9: Nature's Classroom Meeting, 8:30am
- 3/10: School Advisory Board Meeting, 7pm
- 3/11: Grades Close, Trimester 2
- 3/12: Faculty Meeting, 3pm
- 3/13: Stations of the Cross, 7pm
- 3/17: Green Out of Uniform Day
- 3/19: School Mass, 8:30am
- 3/19: Report Cards sent home, Trimester 2
- 3/20: No School - Professional Day
- 3/23-3/27: Scholastic Book Fair
- 5/16: Father-Daughter Dance - Save the Date!

Thank you to the McNamara and Collins family for serving coffee yesterday!

Our next Sunday Coffee is Sunday, March 8th. The Fox and Buffone families are scheduled to serve.



Thank you!



March has arrived, and thoughts have turned to some upcoming special events. Tonight at 7 pm the parents of our eighth grade students will learn more about the fabulous Washington DC trip planned for their children at the end of the month. Next Monday, March 9th, our sixth graders will listen to an informative presentation from one of the Nature's Classroom counselors which always gets the students excited about their week-long trip during the last week of March.

Grade 5/6 Girls Semi-Final Game, Saturday, 3/7 @2pm at Saint Bernadette's



Grade 5/6 Boys Playoff, First Round, Thursday, 3/5 @ 7:30pm at Venerini

Along with members of our parish, we gathered as a school community to attend Mass on Ash Wednesday and begin the season of Lent. The students have learned in religion that Lent is a season of reflection as we prepare for the celebration of the resurrection of our Lord. The forty days of Lent are marked as a special time of prayer, penance, sacrifice, and good works, and the students will be involved during each week of Lent in school-wide Lenten observances. Last week the children's Lenten sacrifice was Silent Dismissal. (If you have ever been in the hallways at 2:30, you will understand

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?
In the words of Pope Francis

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

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how much self-control was required for the children to accomplish this, even though it was only for about 10 minutes.) In addition, each child brought home a CRS Rice Bowl as an example of almsgiving, and their donations will aid the children of our sister parish, St. Michel's in Roche-a-Bateau, Haiti. This week the students will perform compassionate good works by making get well cards for patients at Boston Children's Hospital. These practices during Lent help us to focus on turning our hearts and minds toward God. Click [here](#) for some Lenten resources your family can use at home.

A giant thank you is extended to Mr. Joseph Ficara, father of Zachary in Preschool, for his generous donation of an enclosure for the two 3-D printers in the Maker Space. We are also thankful for the custom-made cabinet to support the enclosure that was constructed by Bill, another generous friend of Saint Mary School.



School and parish staff joined together on Friday afternoon to wish Mr. Beltran well on his new employment!

Service Club students recently created cards sharing prayers for peace and comfort for members of the Holy Cross Women's Rowing Team.



Service Club students recently visited the Worcester Center for Crafts to view the Refugee Artisans of Worcester (RAW) exhibit that included weavings, baskets and embroidery crafts designed by local refugee artisans.

