Celebrating Community

At All Saints Catholic School

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No Early Childhood Classes on Wednesday
K-8 11:30 a.m. Dismissal

Advent Giving Tree Drive Ends Wednesday

Santa's Elves--Mrs. Roose and Mrs. Zahari--are surrounded by hundreds of toys, clothes, and shoes as they sort and wrap items for the All Saints Advent Giving Tree drive. There are just 3 days left to donate! Thanks to your generosity, we are on our way to fulfilling the Christmas wishes of 88 children and young adults helped by the Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan. We are grateful to everyone who has contributed already. If you haven't done so yet, please stop by www.allsaintscs.com/store and help us make this Christmas brighter for all of the young people on our list.

#Giving Tuesday Is Coming December 1

Once again, All Saints Catholic School is excited to participate in #GivingTuesday. This event is a global, online tradition celebrating generosity.

The 2020-2021 Fund for All Saints campaign will kick off on #Giving Tuesday, which is December 1, 2020.

As a special incentive, All Saints families who donate to the Fund for All Saints by December 31, 2020, will receive a dress-down day for their students on a day to be determined in 2021.

This is a great opportunity to support All Saints and donate for 2020 tax purposes before the end of the calendar year. Stay tuned to next week's newsletter for our online link.

#GIVINGTUESDAY™

In The Know

November 25
No Early Childhood Classes

1/2-Day for K-8
11:30 a.m. Dismissal

Advent Giving Tree Donation Drive
Ends Online at the End of the Day

November 26-27
No School for Thanksgiving Break

November 30
Classes Resume

December 1
#GivingTuesday
Kickoff of 2020-2021 Fund for All Saints

Mass
10:00 a.m.

Virtues in Practice: Humility

"Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience."

Colossians 3:12

Experience a More Peaceful, More Joyful Advent Than Ever Before

"Rejoice! Advent Meditations with the Holy Family," by Fr. Mark Toups, is a prayer resource with daily meditations that will enrich your Advent by inviting you to experience the first Advent with Joseph and Mary, as they await the birth of their son, the Savior of the world.

Together with the guided meditation videos, this journal will help you to see the marriage of Mary and Joseph in a new light. You will ponder what was in their hearts and minds as they awaited the birth of Jesus—and you will be invited to reflect on and deepen your own relationships with others. "Rejoice!" will help you open your heart to the peace and joy of the Holy Family as you prepare for the coming of Jesus this Christmas.

Our Campus Minister, Mrs. Jenkins, has ordered copies of the "Rejoice!" book from Ascension Press for our All Saints staff and parents. If you are interested in purchasing a copy for home prayer and reflection, please send an envelope to school with $5 to the attention of Mrs. Jenkins. We will need your first and last name, along with the name of your oldest child and his/her homeroom teacher to process your order. Limited copies are available, so place your order soon.

Toys for Tots Donation Drive Update

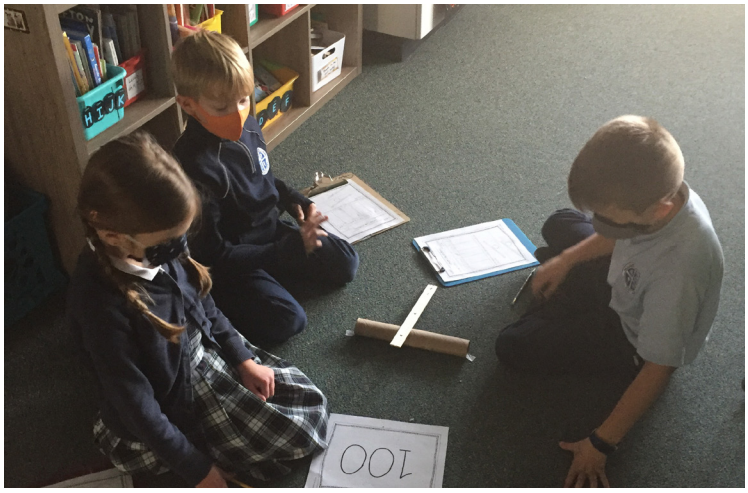
This year's ASCS Cub Scout Pack 760 Toys for Tots campaign continues through noon on December 10. All families are encouraged to donate one or more new, unopened, unwrapped toys by dropping them off in the marked collection boxes placed in the foyers near the front and back loops.

The Votruba Family made the first drop-off of Toys for Tots donations from All Saints to the warehouse last week. A total of 75 items have already been donated by All Saints families!

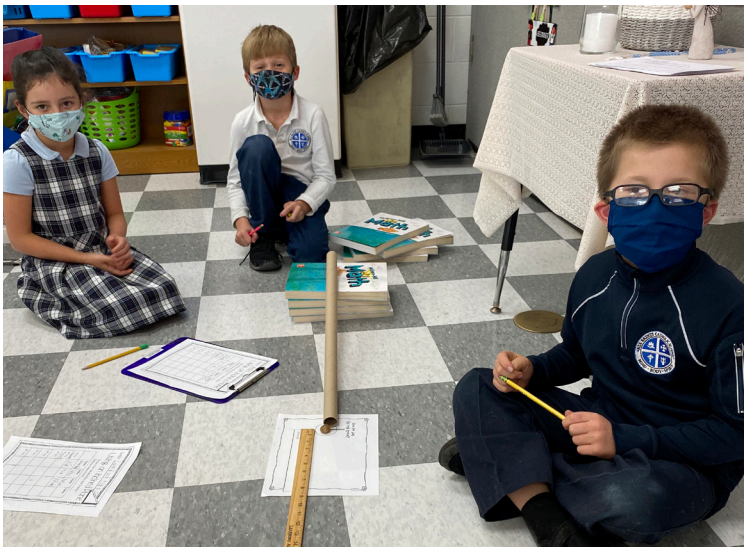
The Cub Scouts would like to thank everyone for their generosity and encourage those who have not yet donated to participate in this year's effort.

Classroom Happenings

Mr. Arnould's 4th graders celebrated National Hand Turkey Day on November 19. It was an opportunity to decorate in anticipation of Thanksgiving, and the class even provided a song to commemorate the day.



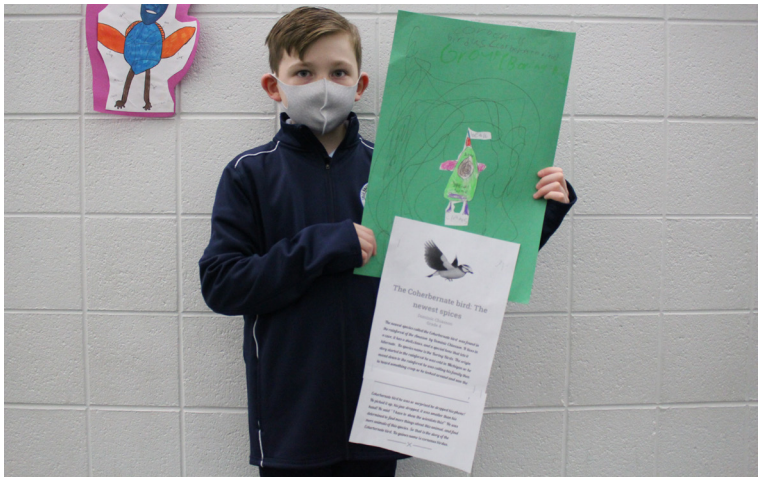
Our 2nd grade students planned and built lever launchers, and then experimented to see how far pom poms would travel when launched. Great job!

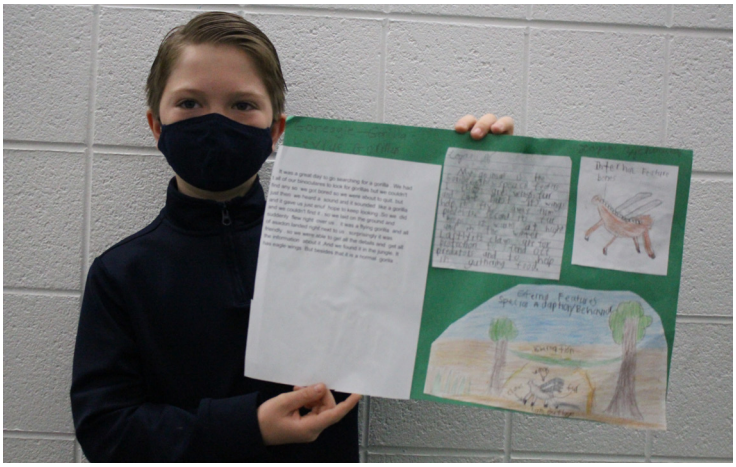


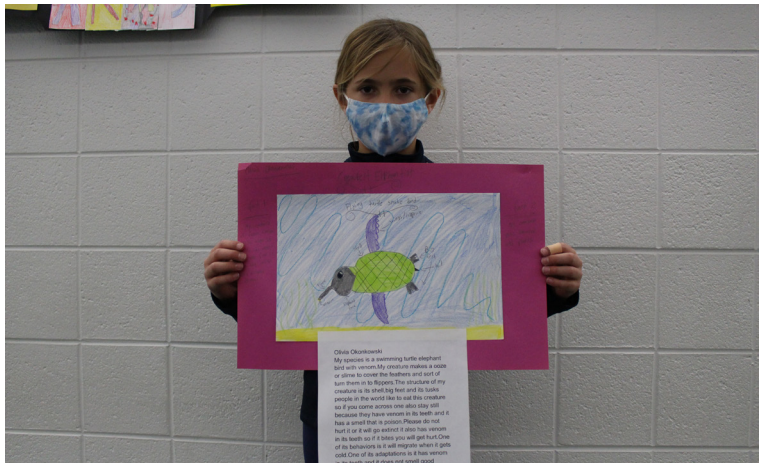
Mrs. Button's 2nd graders used simple machines to experiment using inclined planes last week. They investigated how changing the slope of an inclined plane would affect the distance a rock travels.

More Classroom Happenings

All Saints Kindergarteners enjoyed a step back in time to the 1950s on Friday, as they celebrated the 50th day of school. In honor of this occasion, students and teachers dressed for the era in their poodle skirts and leather jackets. They spent the day practicing counting and measurement, learning a comparison of past versus present, and reinforcing other math and number-related skills. At the end of the day, students enjoyed root beer ice cream floats.







Mrs. Nicholas' 4th grade science classes present the culmination of their species projects. The students had to develop a new species, providing a name, along with physical characteristics and developmental information, about their animal. This project demonstrated the students' innovation and creativity.

Lands' End Offers 40-percent Discount on Uniforms

Lands' End is having a special promotion for 40-percent off on school uniform purchases, starting today and continuing through December 4. Use this chance to stock up on some additional winter items!

Thank You to Our New Families for Lunch!

All Saints teachers and staff members enjoyed Panera for lunch on Friday. The delicious meals were provided by our 2020-2021 new families, in appreciation of All Saints teachers and staff helping their children to make the transition to this new school year easy. Teachers and staff members thank our new families for their generosity.

Cautious Driving Reminder

We love our All Saints families and want to keep everyone safe!

A Canton police officer has recently informed us that some drivers have been speeding, failing to come to complete stops, and using excessive acceleration when turning into and out of our parking lot.

The officer wanted us to alert our community that drivers who do these actions will start receiving tickets.

Please note this gentle reminder and stay safe.

Fellowship for Moms Meeting Schedule Update

Resurrection Parish will not be hosting social events during the three-week State of Michigan shutdown for indoor gatherings. Fellowship for Moms will cancel their December 2 meeting, and the team encourages everyone to stay safe and take extra precautions leading up and going through the holiday season.

Instead of a meeting, the group will be holding a secret Santa gift/gift basket exchange (similar to the "You've been Booed" idea many people did around Halloween). The basic idea is to secretly treat a fellow mom with a little something on her front porch. This could be something like a goodie basket, or a themed basket, or even a holiday decoration. Be creative, but keep it simple and stick to around $10 for the cost of the gift.

Those interested in participating should register with the Sign Up genius link below, which will be used to assign each Secret Santa their person. If you sign up, you will be a Secret Santa as well as on the receiving end. The Fellowship for Moms leaders will email registrants individually with their person and their address. Please register with your name and address by Monday November 24th, so everyone's Secret Santa can be assigned.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090B4BAFAE22A1FE3-ascs
Please, please feel free to participate even if you haven't been active this year. The more who participate means the more joy we can spread to each other! The group leaders will begin planning and thinking of their 2021 events.

Resurrection Parish Offers Sacramental Preparation

Resurrection Parish invites families to prepare for your child's sacrament this year with them.

First Reconciliation/First Eucharist:
Second graders are invited to prepare for First Reconciliation in the fall and First Eucharist in the Spring. The format this year is primarily an at-home formation with a couple of gatherings to prepare as a community. (Gatherings will be Zoom, in-person, or a mixture depending on the needs of our families.) Here are the important dates:

Wednesday, October 7th 6:30-7:45 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation Introduction via Zoom Child and one or both parents attend
Wednesday, December 9th at 6:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation Rite

Wednesday, January 13th 6:30-7:45 p.m. First Eucharist Introduction via Zoom Child and one or both parents attend
Wednesday, March 17th 6:30-7:45 p.m.

Second gathering and Rehearsal for First Eucharist (hopefully this can be in-person) Child and one or both parents attend
Weekend of March 20th/21st

First Eucharist Celebration Saturday at 2:00 p.m, 4:00 p.m., or Sunday at 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m.

Confirmation: 8th graders are invited to join Resurrection for Confirmation Prep in-person on Mondays 6:30-8:30 p.m. beginning January 11, 2021. (Students may have the option of Zooming into the meeting if needed.) Resurrection has a dynamic program of adult leaders, engaging high school small group facilitators, weekly prayer experiences, and meaningful outreach activities. They are excited to partner with you to help your child grow in their faith!

Students Help Advent Giving Tree Effort

Our 4th graders took advantage of Friday's beautiful weather to help Mrs. Roose and Mrs. Zahari unload their vehicles from their shopping trip for Advent Giving Tree wish list items.