



Celebrating Community

AT ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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No Early Childhood Classes This Thursday and Friday

Catholic Schools Week Starts January 31

A full list of events is planned to celebrate Catholic Schools Week, which runs from January 31 to February 6. Here are All Saints' theme days, activities, and corresponding dress codes:

Monday - Celebrating the Nation

- Students may wear red, white, and blue tops with PE bottoms

Tuesday - Celebrating our Parish, Priests, and Vocations

- Students may wear their Sunday best attire

Wednesday - Celebrating our School Community

- Students may dress down (jeans) with a donation for the Baby Item Drive--To Benefit Mary's Mantle
 - Preschool/ /Pre-K: Swaddle blankets (the kind with velcro)
 - K-2: Baby soap/diaper rash cream
 - 3-4: 0-3 month sleepers (girl)
 - 5-6: 0-3 month sleepers (boy)
 - 7-8: Newborn sleepers (boy and girl)

*Meijer, Target, and Amazon gift cards may also be donated, but no monetary donations will be accepted.

Mary's Mantle is a Catholic residential program for homeless expectant women. They witness the love of Christ by promoting the dignity of life by providing a safe, faith-based, and caring environment that supports the transition into motherhood, including extended aftercare for continued personal growth and integration into the community. Mary's Mantle focuses on the spiritual, emotional, physical, educational, and vocational well-being of mother and child (see story inside newsletter).

Thursday - Celebrating our Faculty, Staff, and Volunteers

- Students may add their favorite college or sport team apparel with PE bottoms

Friday - Celebrating our Students

- ASCS Spirit Day!



Catholic Schools
Faith. Excellence. Service.

Please Use Updated Health Screen Links

Going forward, please use the new student health screening link that arrived this morning in your text and email. The questions asked follow updated guidelines from the CDC. If you want to save the new link for future reference, that is fine. However, please discard the old link to the original health screening form.

Growing Leaders in Mind, Body, and Spirit

In The Know

January 26

Mass
10:00 a.m.

January 28 and 29

No Early Childhood Classes

January 31

New Family Open House
11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
By Appointment Only

January 31-February 6

Catholic Schools Week
See Article on Front Page for Details

February 8-19

Auction Super Week

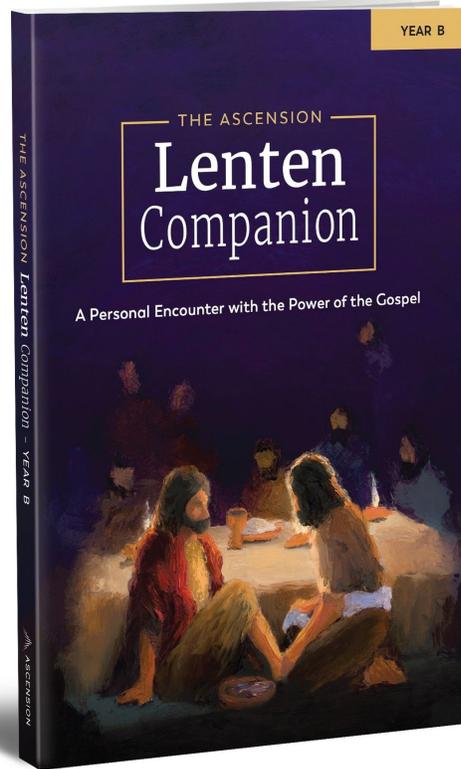
February 12-16

Mid-Winter Break

February 17

Ash Wednesday Mass
10:00 a.m.

Ash Wednesday Is February 17; Lent Starts in Just 23 Days



All Saints invites you to join a growing number of parents and staff members who have been participating in the Advent and Lenten reflections. These reflections have made significant impacts on people's lives. Please see the testimonies below:

"DIY for Faith- This series is such a wonderful, easy way to focus on your Lenten journey as an individual or group. We gathered some friends and did a one-hour weekly zoom meeting. You can do it alone within your home or branch out and start a small group. Embrace the change of focus this year. Try this easy format. This series will give you great hope in your journey to Easter."

Carol Pisarski, Director of Admissions

"This book really made the Advent season come to life for my husband and me. It drew a clear picture of the humanity of the Holy Family, and we were able to share the anxieties and joys that they were feeling as they were preparing for the birth of our Savior. It helped us reflect on our relationship as husband and wife and our relationship with our children. It gave us the freedom to expect more from our family life and gave us the liberty to accept our imperfections. Prior to this book, my husband found it difficult to read his Bible, but he shared with me that he could feel God speaking to him through this book and the scriptures."

S.J.L.

"These Lenten journals by Father Mark Toups have been a huge blessing to me the last few years. They are brief and easy to follow, but incredibly impactful. His writing style is original and inspiring, pointing out new perspectives that I've never considered before. They make it easy to keep your eyes trained on Jesus."

Megan Krogmeier, parent

"These programs offer a unique way to pray with scripture by using Imaginative Prayer. By immersing yourself in the scene of the Gospel story, you get a completely different perspective of God's word, one that will reignite your faith."

Mike and Pam Rensi, parents

This Lenten program includes an inspirational journal and engaging videos featuring Father Mark Toups. Join us and experience real spiritual formation and growth, finding yourself changed from the beginning of Lent to Easter. Visit ascensionpress.com for more details. Send an email to Mary Ann Jenkins at mjenkins@allsaintscs.com to request your copy or copies of your journal today. Include the name of your oldest child and his or her homeroom teacher. The journals will be delivered to you through your son or daughter. Once you receive your journal, please send \$5 (per journal) in an envelope to Mary Ann Jenkins.

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Substitute Teachers Needed

All Saints is actively looking to add to the list of contacts we maintain for our substitute teachers. Because of COVID protocols, substitute teachers are in demand throughout the Metro Detroit area. Adults who have 90 college credits are eligible to apply. All Saints looks forward to having our parents and family members join our substitute list because we want applicants who support our children and our mission and are familiar to our students. For more information and to apply, contact Ms. Strausbaugh at kstrausbaugh@allsaintscs.com.



Alumni News

Congratulations to the following All Saints graduates who are currently students at Divine Child High School! They have earned Honors status for their first-semester academic work, which requires a minimum of a 3.5 GPA.

Isabelle Ahme
Alexander Baker
Isabelle Barone
Addelina Bauer
Sophia Baugh
Teresa Billecke
Alexander Billecke
Jillian Bovitz
Sophia Brust
Emma Chabala
Gabrielle Chabala
Amanda Chizuk
Richard Deisler
Jake Dickie
Genevieve Fischer
Jillian Gerus
Joseph Gimmarro
Hannah Glowzinski
Renee Gregoroff
Avery Haynes
Gianna Hicks

Chibogu Ibegbu
Landon Johnson
Aleena LaPerriere
Ryan Loverich
Devon Loverich
Brooke MacDonald
Mariyshaa Mahimai
Dylan McGrath
Shaun McGrath
Giovanni Morano
Connor Neiheisel
Kate Reising
Grant Reising
Ella Slade
Benjamin Spahn
Samantha Stevens
Zachary Thomas
Alexandra Tomajko
Riley Tople
Michael Vena
Maria Vena
Madeline Walker

Virtues in Practice-- Fidelity

Fidelity and Sacred Scripture
"Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law."

Romans 13:8

"For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in His steps."

1 Peter 2:21

Water Donations Welcomed for January 31 Open House

Thank you to parents who donated water for yesterday's open house. Each year during our event for prospective families, we have a hospitality table for our guests. If you are able, we are gratefully accepting donations of 12- or 24-packs of small water bottles to provide our visitors for the second of our new family open houses, which is Sunday, January 31.

To donate, please send the water to school with your child or bring the water to the school door before pickup on Friday, January 29. Thank you in advance!

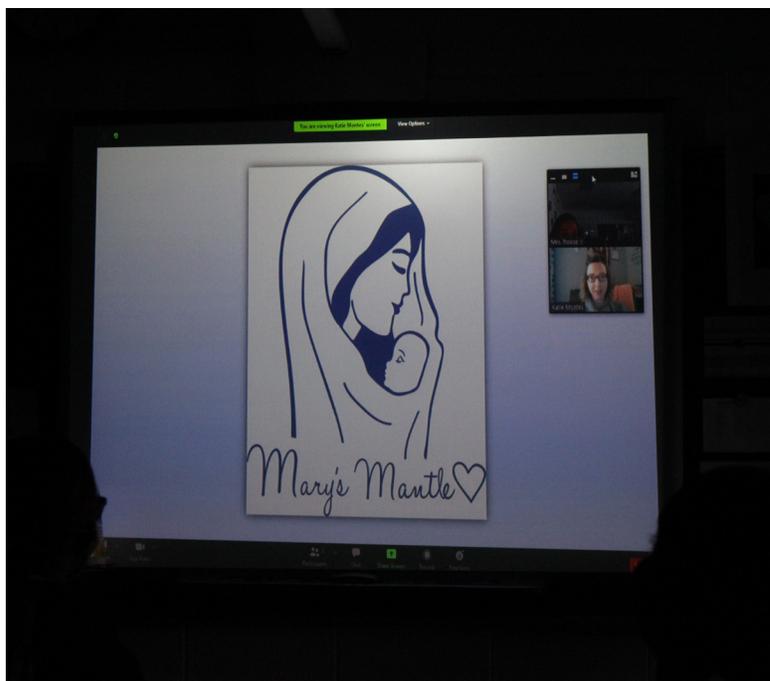
Fund for All Saints Campaign Continues

Thank you to all who have already donated to the 2020-2021 Fund for All Saints campaign. We have received more than \$54,000 so far, after formally launching this year's effort just a month ago. We are grateful for everyone's support and generosity.

The Fund for All Saints is a wonderful opportunity to support our school. Donations can be made online at the following link: www.allsaintscs.com/donate

Growing Leaders in Mind, Body, and Spirit

Classroom Happenings



While focusing on the virtue of fidelity and the life of St. Gianna Molla, Mrs. Roose's junior high religion students had the opportunity to learn about Mary's Mantle during recent classes.

Mary's Mantle is a Catholic residential program for homeless expectant women and is part of the Archdiocese of Detroit. The organization's goal is to witness the love of Christ by promoting the dignity of life in a safe, faith-based, and caring environment. Mary's Mantle, which was established in 2010, supports a new parent's transition into motherhood and focuses on the spiritual, emotional, physical, educational, and vocational well-being of mother and child.

All Saints parent, Mrs. Katie Montes, has been the director of Mary's Mantle for six years. During Zoom sessions, she showed students photos of the Mary's Mantle home in Southfield and explained how the organization has benefitted new moms and their babies.

Mrs. Montes said the home offers expectant and new moms the chance to learn about the responsibilities involved in child care, but also provides a family atmosphere with love and support. The adults participate in prayer life and have opportunities for counseling and working on long-term education and career goals.

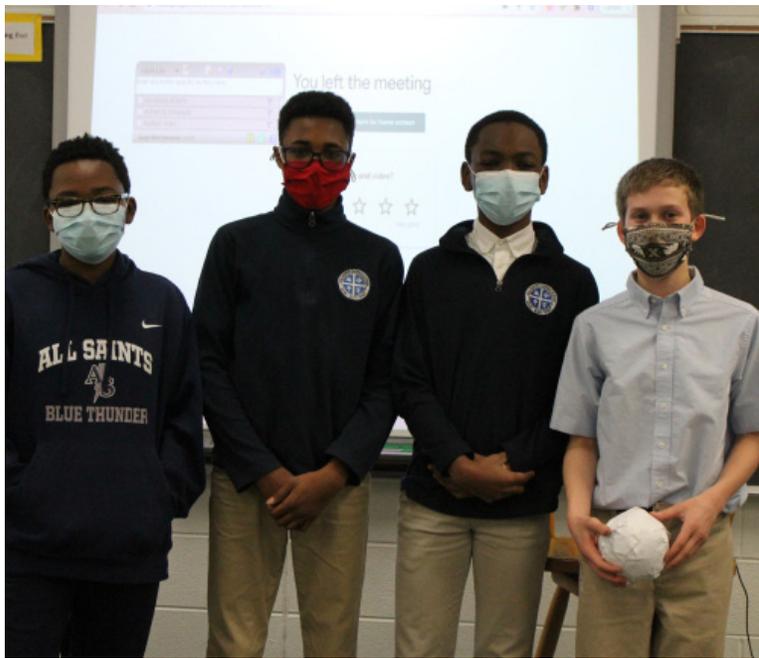
A few years ago, Gianna Emanuela Molla, the daughter of St. Gianna Molla and her namesake, visited the Detroit area while traveling to raise money for her charity. Mrs. Montes had the chance to meet her, and she told the students how incredible it was to be in the presence of the daughter of a saint.

Mrs. Roose's students received photo cards of the six infants born to mothers residing at Mary's Mantle during 2020. Mrs. Montes asked the students to pray for the babies and their moms, and said that four additional babies are due to be born by the start of this coming summer.

During Catholic Schools Week next week, All Saints will host a donation drive to benefit Mary's Mantle. Items will be requested by grade level, and the baby supplies will be forwarded to help Mary's Mantle continue its mission. Please see the calendar of Catholic Schools Week activities for donation request details. All Saints thanks our families in advance for your support of this and all of our donation efforts.

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Mrs. Kalisieski's 7th graders traditionally have an assignment of writing stories and performing them for younger students. Due to COVID-19 and the need for social distancing, Mrs. Kalisieski improvised to avoid grouping her 7th graders into a classroom with students from another grade. With the help of technology via a Google Meet connection, Mrs. Kolpacke's Kindergarteners saw a performance of "Saving the Swamp," and Ms. Vendittelli's 1st graders virtually attended "Swan's Way." In addition to writing a short story targeted to a specific audience, the 7th graders were evaluated on a rubric of public speaking criteria, including word inflection, fluency, and extemporaneous speech. The older students enjoyed performing, and the younger students enjoyed watching the 7th graders act.