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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK



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4th Grade Student Writer

Catholic Schools Week is a nationwide activity to honor all the catholic schools in the country. Each day we do something different.

Monday, January 30

On this day, we do crazy hair day! Put gel in your hair, or just mess it up. No hair dye though!

Tuesday, January 31

This day, we do decades day. You can do something as simple as 2020- 1900. Dress as a hippie, or in neon clothing. We also have our live battleship tournament.

Wednesday, February 1

Dress UP day. We are going to mass that day, so dress in nice clothing. That means no jeans.

Thursday, February 2

We will dress as a book character, but you have to bring a book for proof. And a little after lunch, we'll have our talent show. That night, we will have Imagination and Creation night. It is like an art show.

Friday, February 3

That day is Spirit day. Wear any St.V clothing. Then we have our student vs staff kickball game. It was the 8th grade's choice of sport.

We do this every year because we love and honor our school, and hope you had fun at Catholic Schools Week.

KNOWLEDGE FAIR FEBRUARY 9 | 6-7PM



**Mason Jar
Cookie Mix**

Pick up your orders at Knowledge Fair Night
Thursday, February 9



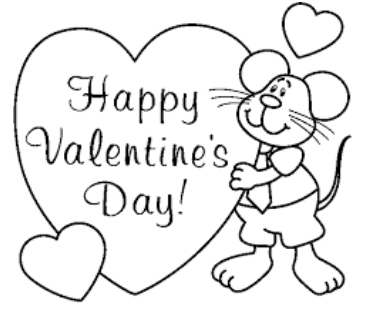
Feature Story

Valentine's Day

 **Aubrey Smith**
Winter Writing Challenge Winner/ K-3rd Grade

On Valentine's Day I would have a party that would last all day. It would be a school party not just a first grade party. It would start with donuts and cookies. Then we would have recess all morning. I would have pizza and breadsticks for lunch and afterwards everybody has root beer floats. Next we pass out Valentine's

Day cards to everybody in our class. After that we play games and we eat carrots, strawberries and broccoli with ranch and drink juices. We would watch movies and eat popcorn until it was time to go home. At the end of the day we would pack up backpacks and we would not have any homework.



 **Lily Adams**
Winter Writing Challenge Winner/ 4-8th Grade

Hey you! Yeah you. Are you thinking "What should I get for my valentine for valentine's day?" Well you're in luck because the best valentines gift is in stores all around the world. The new best gift is the one and only stapler.

This gift will bring pure joy to your valentine. Why is this such a good gift, you may be wondering. Well, this gift is perfect to guarantee that your papers will stay together. This stapler will

always be by your side ensuring your safety. Is your valentine a very organized person, well this stapler will keep all of their things nice and neat.

If your valentine has a stapler they will be forever thankful that they will not have to ask to borrow one. Having a stapler means that you and your valentine can always be stuck together. Using a stapler can be much better than glue when putting big papers and objects together.

Well what are you waiting for, go buy a brand new stapler.

Hopefully this has persuaded you to purchase a brand new stapler for your one and only valentine.

Faith Feature

First Reconciliation

 **Blue Streak Blazer Editor**
Mrs. Brooke Adams

Several students at St. Vincent de Paul School made their first confession on January 25. This is also known as First Reconciliation. In Reconciliation, we acknowledge our sins before God and the Church. We express our sorrow in a meaningful way, receive the forgiveness of Christ and his Church, make reparation for what we have done, and resolve to do better in the future.



OPEN HOUSE

FEBRUARY 21

If your siblings or friends are looking for a great school, well look no further than Saint Vincent De Paul School. On February 21, 2023 bring in your family and friends to visit our school! Go see the preschool-8th grade open house. This will be 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. at Saint Vincent De Paul School. See you there!



Kate Marhefka
6th Grade Student Ad Writer

Feature Story

Animal Features



Student Writers
Lily Adams, Amari McQuigg, Zoey Chester, Lucy Adams

Lily - 6th Grade

National Hippo day is on February 15. There are two species of hippo. The larger hippo is the common hippo and the smaller hippo is the pygmy hippo. The common hippo is the third largest land mammal in the world, this hippo is located in over 30 countries of Africa. Some hippos can weigh more than 8,000 pounds. The common hippos live in groups of about 10 to 20 hippos. During most of the day common hippos stay underwater.

Amari - 6th Grade

World Pangolin Day is annually on the third Saturday of February this year, it's on February 18. Pangolins are also known as scaly anteaters and eat insects such as ants, termites, and larvae. Pangolins are the only mammal on earth to be covered head to toe in scales. Pangolins are also an endangered species and they live in woodlands and savannas with water nearby. However, they can also live in rainforests, grasslands, and jungles.

Zoey - 5th Grade

February 27, 2023 is International Polar Bear Day, here are 5 fun facts about them:
Polar bears are classified as marine mammals.
A polar bear's skin is actually black.
They can swim constantly for days at a time. Scientists can extract polar bear DNA from just their footprints.
They face more threats than climate change.

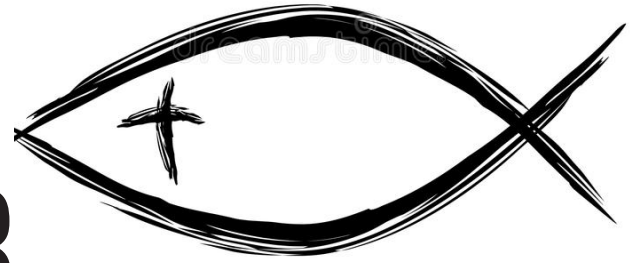
Lucy - 6th Grade

On National "Love Your Pet" Day you love on your pet. You can do so many things to get your pet to love you even more. For example, buy them new toys and love on them. You could even get them a new treat and if you have a dog take him to the park. If you have a cat, maybe just snuggle. If you have a hamster, play with it or if you have a ferret just watch a movie and mostly snuggle. If you have a parrot, tell each other some funny jokes. Make sure you love your pets like they love you.

ASH WEDNESDAY

First Day of Lent

FEBRUARY 22, 2023



2023 Living Lent

SUNDAY			WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
26 1st Sunday of Lent "You shall worship the Lord, Your God, and him alone shall you serve." Luke 4:8			22 Jesus wants to be your Friend. This Lent, turn away from what is wrong and come closer to Him. Ash Wednesday FEBRUARY		23 Put your favorite toys or games in a box. On top, write "Goodbye for Lent. See you at Easter!" Give Mom the box.		24 Make a Giving Box by decorating a little box with a slot in the lid. Put a jar of coins nearby. Whenever anyone does a kind deed, they secretly take a coin from the jar and put it in the box. Give the money to the poor on Easter Sunday. Read Luke 6:28.		25 	
27 Go somewhere QUIET, think about JESUS, and tell Him, "I love You!"			1 Forgive someone for something that made you feel sad or hurt your feelings. MARCH		2 "LORD, make me an instrument of Your peace." Today, keep quiet when you want to say angry words.		3 Have members of your family write their names on pieces of paper and put them in a bowl.		4 Draw names to find your secret friend for Lent! Do special things (write notes, give little gifts, offer prayers) for your friend, and give him or her a card on Easter Sunday!	
5 2nd Sunday of Lent His face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. Luke 9:29			7 Decorate a candle and light it when your family prays.		8 Make a list of 10 things you are thankful to God for. Then tell Him!		9 New Life Seeds! Poke holes in the bottom of a small transparent container. Add potting soil and plant beans or seeds. Just as Jesus died, was buried, and rose again, so the seeds will come to new life! Read John 12:24.		11 Read Psalm 23 with your family— The Lord is your Shepherd.	
12 3rd Sunday of Lent "Whoever drinks the water I give will never thirst." John 4:14			14 "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." Exodus 3:6		15 Gather some clothing and give it to the poor.		16 DRAW A PICTURE of Jesus on the cross with sad people, and one of Jesus risen with happy people!		17 Saint Patrick gave his heart to Jesus and brought the Gospel to Ireland. Today, tell someone, "God loves you!"	
13 List what is special about each person in your family, and then GIVE it to them!			18 Jesus, the carpenter's son, honored Joseph His father. Today, do something special for dad!							

Valentine's Day Feature

Avery Whalen
6th Grade Student Writer

History & Meaning

Valentine's day is a holiday celebrated all over the world. This day is recognized as a day of showing love and getting heart- shaped candies, but there is a history to it. Most have heard of Saint Valentine. He is the patron saint of lovers, epilepsy, and beekeepers. He died on February 14, the day of Valentine's Day. We all love Valentine's Day and are excited for it to come!

Valentine's Day Parties

Valentines day parties are pretty common in schools. You will have candy, Valentine day boxes, and games.

These are pretty fun things for valentines day. But for STV we will be getting candy grams on Valentine's day parties. This will be fun because you can give it to any of the students of STV. These will bring smiles because they don't know that they are getting them! For parties, STV students bring in food and other supplies for their party. Usually we eat, play games, give out cards, admire other student's boxes, and sometimes even dance! This will be so fun because this year we even have school on Valentine's Day! But only students in Kindergarten- 5th get parties. Hopefully they have fun at their celebration. Let the party begin!

Valentines Day Box Ideas

Some Valentine day box ideas are, a dinosaur, unicorn, monster, Mickey Mouse and a pig. There are lots more Valentine's Day boxes to make. Some card ideas are, you could make a rose heart with some pink and red colors. Another idea is a heart tree with pink petals. Some craft ideas are, take a popsicle stick and put a heart on it with someone who you love name on it. You could make a heart person with arms and legs. What you have to do is cut out a heart and cut out some lines of constitution paper. Glue those pieces together and then you will have a heart friend.

RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS CHALLENGE

Say thank you to your teachers! Offer to help a friend! Hold the door for someone! Let someone go ahead of you in line! Smile at EVERYONE you see today! Pick a few toys or clothes to donate! Compliment 5 people! Pick up litter at the park! Play with someone new at recess! Write a thank you letter! Send a picture to badams@stvmv.org of your random act of kindness challenge to be featured in the next edition!

Feature Story

Winter Activities

Eli Hall & Zoey Chester
6th & 5th Grade Student Writers

There are several winter activities in Ohio such as sledding, skiing, ice skating, and snow trailing. Mansfield Snow trailing is the best place in Mansfield to go for the winter. One reason is that it's open December- March. Another reason is that they have a beginners area for new people and they offer skiing, sledding, and snow tubing.

Everyone loves winter activities, in Colorado children in this Snowy weather like to do similar things compared to children in Ohio like ice skating, snowmobiling, and tubing. Another state in the U.S is Virginia, in Virginia children also do similar things to children in Ohio including hockey, snow tubing, and also sledding. Things you can do in Ohio includes snowball fights, snow angels, make a snowman, and you can even go sledding down a slope or hill.

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Valentines Days!

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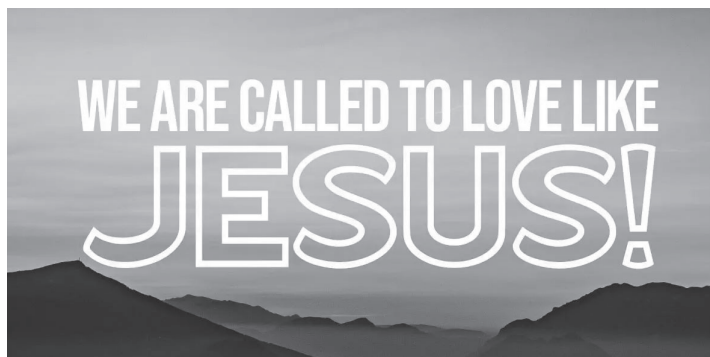
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