

Cathedral School Review

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Humility

In our readings this week, we heard how people asked John the Baptist who he was. They asked if he was the Christ, the savior of the world. They asked if he was Elijah or one of the other great prophets. He replied that he wasn't any of these people. Instead, he quoted the great prophet Isaiah and told them that he was "the voice of one crying out in the desert, make straight the way of the Lord." In a word, he was humble. John was unwilling to take credit.

Others asked him why he baptized if he wasn't one of those important people. His answer, again, showed humility. He told them that while he baptized with water, but that someone, who was already among them (Jesus), was following him. John went on to tell them that he was unworthy to untie that person's sandals.

So, with every opportunity, John pointed the way to someone else—to

Jesus, who is Christ the Lord. Even in times when he could've claimed some credit or boasted (and Jesus himself said that no human was greater than John the Baptist), he refused. Instead, he always directed the attention to where it belongs—to God.

This is the greatest example to us of humility. It should always be our goal to bring others closer to Christ, giving all glory and honor to Him.

In Other News...

Mass Schedule

January 9—planned by 4th Grade

January 16—planned by 3rd Grade

We would like to invite you to celebrate the Mass with your child and his or her class on Wednesdays at 8:45 a.m. Grandparents, other relatives, and friends are also welcome. Hope to see you there!

Library Schedule

January 10—Grades 3 & 4

January 17—Grades 5 & 6

Catholic Schools Week

Our annual, week-long celebration of Catholic Schools is coming up, starting on Sunday, January 27th. There are many fun things to do that week. Watch for

more details in upcoming newsletters!

Basket Raffle Reminder

Every year, during Catholic Schools Week, PACE sponsors a basket drawing and donates 1-2 baskets to the Mardi Gras fundraiser. Please remember to donate items for these baskets by Thursday, January 17. For more details, please see the enclosed

flyer. Thank you!

Family Poster

We will once again celebrate what Cathedral School means to our families with our annual Family Posters. Please see the enclosed flyer for additional details.

Mardi Gras Help

We need your help with our upcoming Mardi

Gras fundraiser! It is scheduled to conclude our Catholic Schools Week celebration on Saturday, February 2nd. Enclosed in this week's Thursday Envelope, you should find two different papers about it. One describes the various ways in which you can help. The other gives you the chance to let us know what you plan to help do. It's a lot of fun, and a great way to meet other families. So, please take a few minutes to look them over and tell us how you can help with this important event. Thank you!

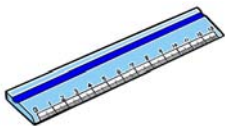
Swimming Unit Begins

Our annual swimming unit begins tomorrow on Friday, January 4th. Please make sure your child has all that they need to have a great time improving their swimming skills. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. LaDonna Peterson. Thank you!

Menu Change

Our lunch menu for Wednesday, January 9 will be changed to the following:

Cheese Pizza, Rice, Corn, Carrot/Celery Sticks, Fruit Shape Up



School Board Corner

The Cathedral School Board's meeting will be on Wednesday, January 16th at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

In the upcoming meeting, we will see a presentation by Sr. Pat Murphy about a school board's roles and responsibilities, and we will take care of a few business items.

Box Top Winner

Recently, we had a Box Top Drawing. The winner was Meleah La-Jesse, in 1st Grade. She won a bucket of movie items, such as popcorn, candy, and movie rental coupons. The bucket was donated by PACE. So, we would like to congratulate Meleah and thank PACE for their generous donation!

God's Blessings on Your Birthday

Adreanna LaCoursiere, Grade 3—
January 5

Fundraising Opportunities

Each week, we will highlight a different on-going fundraiser. This week, we will take a closer look at Box Tops.

At the top of many boxed food products, you can find a "Box Top" label. If you just cut out this small label and send it in to the school, we can earn a surprising amount of money! You can watch for the following types of products that carry the Box Top label: cereal, baking, baby & child care, paper plates, meals, frozen food, disposable tableware, snacks, storage bags, refrigerated food.

In addition to these products, there are many other ways to earn Box Top credit for Cathedral School! You can also shop online at a wide variety of stores, including JC Penney and Land's End.

The brands are too numerous to list here! For more information, you can go online to <http://www.boxtops4education.com>. Or, you can visit the school office.

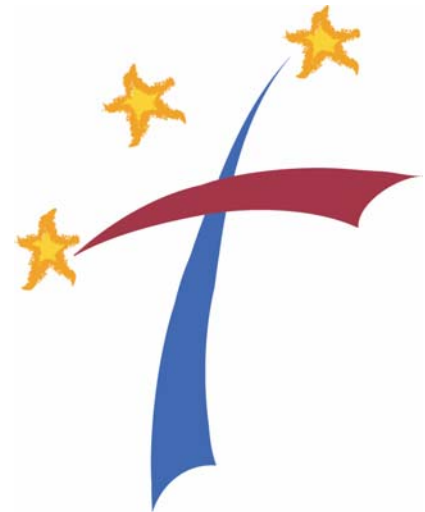
One final note: the more Box Tops

your child turns in, the better their chance at winning a drawing! PACE has agreed to supply a prize for each of the three drawings that we will hold this year. Just have your child write his or her name on the back of each Box Top before turning them in to the school office.

We thank you for your support. God bless!

Here are some other fundraisers that help Cathedral School:

- Campbell's Soup Labels
- Box Tops for Education
- Ink Doctor—ink cartridges
- Our Family Labels
- Target Card
- Pop Tops



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