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The Narrow Gate

In this week's Gospel reading, Jesus told us that we would all have to enter the Kingdom of God through the narrow gate. Now, there have been different people that have had different ideas about what exactly that means.

This week, Father Bob told us about one way of looking at it, by considering the question: how do we get through a narrow gate? We can think

of a real, physical example. If we are presented with a narrow gate, or door, that we need to get through, and it's really narrow, we might scrape ourselves up a bit, in order to get through. What if it's really narrow, and we can't fit? Then what?

Father Bob suggested that trying to get into heaven is similar to entering through a really narrow gate. On our

own, we can't do it! Then, how can we get to heaven? We have to get smaller. Just as a small person or a child can get through a small opening, we need to get small in order to fit, also. Now, we don't have to get smaller in a physical sense, but a spiritual one. We need to humble ourselves, and accept God's gift of grace. In other words, we need to make ourselves smaller, and Christ bigger. Then, we, too, can enter His kingdom, rejoicing!

In Other News...

Mass Schedule

November 7—planned by 4th Grade

November 14—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

November 15—Grades 3 & 4

November 29—Grades 5 & 6

Conferences

We have scheduled the parent/teacher conferences. Please check your Thursday envelope (coming to you on Friday this week!) for your time and day. If your time works well for you,

please sign and return the confirmation letter to the school office. If you need to change your time, please give us a call, and we'll do what we can!

As a quick reminder, we will not have school on Thursday and Friday, November 8 and 9.

Book Fair

It's time, once again, for

our annual Book Fair! The Fair will be hosted in the Adult Education Room this year. That is the room that's right next door to the Living Room. We will be running the fair during school hours and during the parent/teacher conferences on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. There are also some opportunities to volunteer to help run the fair. Check your Thursday envelope for more information. If

you have any questions, please give us a call. Hope to see you there!

Lockdown Drill

Each year, the State of Minnesota asks that schools hold five lockdown drills. We will be having our first drill on Monday, November 5th. This drill will involve locking all of the doors throughout the school, inside and out. Students are to stay away from doors and windows. The state has asked schools to perform these drills to prepare for a situation where a dangerous person might enter an area near a school. Just like with fire drills, we practice being safe.

Along these same lines, you may have noticed that a few doors are being locked now that haven't been, recently. We are returning to our security policy that was drafted a few years ago. Again, this is just in a general effort to keep our students, staff, and visitors as safe as possible, and to be prepared for any type of emergency that may arise.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school office.

School Board Corner

The Cathedral School Board's next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 7 at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

In the upcoming meeting, we will continue to discuss changes to the Board's Constitution and By-laws, among other things.

Mardi Gras Meeting

We will be having our first organizational meeting for our upcoming Mardi Gras Dinner and Auction on Tuesday, November 6, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. This first meeting is a general meeting, and is open to everyone. The Mardi Gras is an annual fundraiser for the Cathedral School, and provides one of our largest sources of income. It's also a lot of fun! We look forward to seeing you there!

P.A.C.E. Meeting

We will be having a P.A.C.E. meeting on Wednesday, November 7 at 5:30 p.m. Daycare will be provided by our 6th Graders. Hope to see you there!

God's Blessings on Your Birthday

Marie Sandman, Grade 4—
November 3

Fundraising Opportunities

Each week, we will highlight a different on-going fundraiser. This week, we will take a closer look at Campbell's Soup Labels.

There are actually many different brands that will work—not just Campbell's soup products! Other products that work include Spaghetti O's, Pepperidge Farm, V8, Franco-American, Swanson, Market Day, and Prego.

When you clip the label to send in, just make sure that it contains the UPC Code and the point value. Two examples are shown below:



Example of a 1-point label



Example of a 5-point label

If you'd like more information, you can stop by the school office for a handout, or look at <http://www.labelsforeducation.com>.

Then, just drop off the labels in the school office. It's amazing how these labels add up. 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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