

Cathedral School Review

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St. Blaise

This week, we celebrated the feast day of St. Blaise, who was a bishop and martyr of the Church. Fr. Bob told us a little more about this great saint.

St. Blaise was one of the last martyrs from the Roman persecutions, before Emperor Constantine converted to Christianity and legalized the faith. He was a bishop who was well-known for his strong convictions and fearless defense of Christ.

Because of the ongoing persecutions, however, the people of his diocese convinced him to go

into hiding. So, he went into the wilderness. There, because of his love for God's creatures and his trust in His infinite love, St. Blaise was able to live in peace and harmony with many wild animals. He was a lot like St. Francis in that way.

However, the Roman army eventually found him and captured him. As they were bringing him to his eventual martyrdom, they passed by a frantic mother whose son was choking to death. He asked his captors to stop, which they did. He got out and prayed for the boy, setting his hand on the choking child's throat. Immediately, the lodged food

dissolved and the boy could breathe again. God had decided to work a miracle through the intercession of St. Blaise!

It is from that event that we now have the blessing of throats that comes once a year, on the feast of St. Blaise. We use a pair of blessed candles, tied together with a red ribbon, symbolizing St. Blaise's martyrdom, to bless throats. We pray that through his intercession, God would give us healing from illness, whether of the throat or anywhere else. Thanks to St. Blaise, we are reminded of God's abundant love and mercy for us!

In Other News...

Mass Schedule

February 10—planned by 6th Grade

February 17—planned by 5th 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!

Cathedral Library Day

We will have library time for students in Grades K-4 in our library on Tuesday, February 9. Be sure to have any old books ready to return or renew on that day. Thank you!

Public Library Schedule

February 16—Grades 3 & 4

February 23—Grades 5 & 6

Catholic Schools Week

Happy Catholic Schools Week! We are in the middle of our celebration of Catholic schools. We've had a lot of fun, enjoying the blessing of our school. And, we've got some more fun coming up. Please feel free to join us whenever you would like!

Tickets

Our biggest fundraiser of the year, the Mardi Gras Dinner and Auction is coming soon, on February 6. Please make sure that you get your four meal tickets sold and the information form turned in to the school office as soon as possible. If you need help selling your tickets, please call the office so that we can help you.



Also, please make sure that you finish selling your basket raffle tickets and turn them in to the office right away. All of the proceeds benefit the school and help to keep our tuition costs at one of the lowest levels in the diocese. Thank you for your support!

PACE Meeting

The next regular meeting of PACE will be held in the school library on Wednesday, February 10 at 7:00 p.m. Remember, the class that has the most parents in attendance, by percentage, wins an extra 15 minutes of recess. So, stop by and join us—we'd love to see you!

Flags

You may have noticed that the flag rope in front of the building is staying up continuously now. This has been done in an effort to improve safety, particularly through the winter months. Thank you for your patience, as we work to improve safety for everyone!

Contact Information

Just as a brief reminder, we would like to provide you with Mrs. Hughes' contact information. She can be reached at the school's phone number: 281-1835. Her

email address is vhughes.cathedral@midconetwork.com. Since Mrs. Hughes is only here through lunch time, please make sure that you direct your afternoon calls to Mr. Hollingsworth. Thank you!

God's Blessings on Your Birthday

Cassidy Baatz, Grade 2—
February 4

Isabelle Herberg, Kindergarten—
February 4

Gavin Salem, Grade 2—February
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Fundraising Opportunities

Each week, we will highlight a different on-going fundraiser. This week, we will take a closer look at Tyson's Project A+!

This is a fundraising program that's sponsored through Tyson Foods, Inc. It's called Tyson Project A+. Through this program, we can raise as much as \$12,000 for our school each year! The money we raise can go towards buying books or computers, or anything else that we want!

All we have to do to participate is clip and save the entire Project A+ label from participating Tyson products. Then, you can drop these labels off in the school office. Each label we collect is worth 24¢ for our school! Elva Bissonette has graciously agreed to manage this fundraiser. Thank you!

Let's support our school! Clip and save Tyson Project A+

labels today. If you would like more information about the Tyson Project A+ program, visit <http://ProjectAPlus.tyson.com> or contact the school office.



Sample box label



Sample bag label

We thank you for your support. God bless!

Here are some other fundraisers that help Cathedral School:

- Box Tops
- Our Family labels
- Campbell's Soup labels
- Ink Doctor
- Target Card
- Giving Tree
- Pop Tabs
- Tyson's Project A+
- SunnyD Book Spree

School Advisory Council Update

The next meeting of the School Advisory Council will be on Wednesday, February 17 at 5:00 p.m., in the Library. The members include: Co-chairs Paul Bissonette and Nate Lubarski, Secretary Mike Swenson, Bryan Boll, Brian Dingmann, Sis Eickhof, Kris MacGregor, Colleen MacRae, and Stephanie Olson. Everyone is welcome to attend!

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