

Cathedral School Review

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Our Lady of Lourdes

On Wednesday of this week, we celebrated the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Fr. Bob helped explain what that meant.

About one hundred fifty years ago, in a small rural village in France, a big thing happened to a little girl. Bernadette Soubirous was a very poor girl, but quite happy. She loved her family, she loved to play, and she loved Jesus and His mother.

One day, Mary began appearing to Bernadette. She taught her many things, to

help bring her closer to Jesus.

People began to notice Bernadette's visits to the remote place in the country, near a river. They also noticed her talking to someone that they could neither hear nor see. Naturally, they began to think that little Bernadette was crazy! In order to help convince people, Mary, who identified herself as The Immaculate Conception, asked Bernadette to dig a hole in the place where she was standing. Immediately, water began to flow from the hole! Our Lady then asked

Bernadette to begin drinking the water. At first, it was quite muddy. But soon, it became clear and clean. In addition, people began reporting all sorts of miraculous cures after drinking or bathing in the water! Many people came to believe Bernadette, listen to Our Lady, and draw closer to God.

He could've chosen a king or queen, a president or prime minister. But instead, God showed His love for the little and the simple, and chose the poor little French girl we now know as St. Bernadette. Vivat Jesus!

In Other News...

Mass Schedule

February 18—planned by 4th Grade

February 25—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

February 17—Grades 3 & 4

February 24—Grades 5 & 6

No School

There will be no school on Monday, February 16, in recognition of President's Day. Have a great weekend!

Congratulations!

On Thursday, February 12, we hosted our local Spelling Bee competition! Nine finalists from our 5th and 6th Grade classrooms competed with each other. In the end, Guthrie Dingmann, Grade 5, won the competition. Congratulations!

Guthrie will now be participat-

ing in the Regional Spelling Bee in Thief River Falls on Friday, February 27. Way to go!

Come See the Crocs' Swim Meet!

The Crookston Crocs swim team is made up of many members of the community, most of whom are Cathedral School students! This weekend, on Saturday, February 14th, at 10:00 a.m., the Crocs will host the Cupid Invitational Swim Meet at the Crookston Community



Spelling Bee participants (L to R): Sadie Haglund, Marie Sandman, Taylor Bushaw, Rachel Hollcraft, Sydney Boike, Jacob Roesch, Guthrie Dingmann, Haley Roed, and Andrew Hollingsworth



Cathedral student in Crocs (L to R): Gunnar Roed, Andrew Hollingsworth, Jaden Lubarski, Alex MacGregor, Kate MacGregor, Sierra Pry, Muira MacRae, and Haley Roed

Pool. So, come on out, see a fun competition, and support our Cathedral School students as they swim for the Crocs!

Thank You!

We would like to thank all of the many people who made our annual Mardi Gras possible! Donors, buyers, volunteers, and many other people's hard work and efforts combined to create a fun night that will go a long way toward supporting our school. Thank you—we sincerely appreciate all that you've done for us. God bless!

New Cathedral School Quilt

We are working on a new idea to raise money for the school. Over the next several months, we are hoping to collect your old Cathedral School t-shirts. We plan to use these t-shirts to create a quilt that can be raffled or auctioned off during the 2009-2010 school year. So, please consider donating one or more of your old Cathedral School t-shirts in the upcoming months. Thank you for your continued support!

Conference Times

Parent-Teacher Conferences are coming soon—Tuesday and Wednesday, February 24 and 25! Please find your scheduled conference times in this week's Thursday envelope. If you have any questions or concerns,

School Advisory Council Update

In its next meeting on Wednesday, February 18 at 6:00 p.m., the School Advisory Council will begin reviewing and revising school policies. Everyone is welcome to attend!

please contact the school office. See you then!

Help Needed!

PACE will be selling religious goods from Hurley's at the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, February 28 and at the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, March 1.

Proceeds go to support PACE, which in turn helps our students. *We need your help to set up, tear down, and/or sell items.* Contact Shea Proulx at 281-5737 to help out with this great opportunity. Thank you!

Box Top Drop-Off

Please make sure to turn in any Box Tops that you may be saving by *Tuesday, February 24*. Also, make sure to write your child's name on the back. We will be holding a drawing soon after, using those Box Tops! If you have any questions, please contact the school office. Thank you!

Tax Time

It's that time of year again—tax time! In order to make things a little easier, we sent home a flyer a couple of weeks ago, courtesy of the Minnesota Independent School Forum, that describes various tax credits and deductions that you can take for 2008. If you need another copy, you can go to their website www.misf.org, or you can stop by the school office!

God's Blessings on Your Belated Birthday

Gavin Salem, Grade 1—February 8

Sadie Haglund, Grade 6—February 11

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Sydney Boike, Grade 6—February 12

Thomas Cymbaluk, Grade 4—February 15

Sierra Pry, Grade 5—February 15

Fundraising Opportunities

Each week, we will highlight a different

on-going fundraiser. This week, we will take a closer look at our Giving Tree.

Teachers can write down items that are needed in their classrooms on paper apples that they then place on the Giving Tree. Some items are large and some are small. If you'd like to help out the school in some specific way, you can just take a look at the tree, and "pick the apple" that interests you the most!

Our school budget is quite modest, and it is difficult to purchase all of the items that are helpful in our children's education. Your support, then, makes it possible! So, stop by our Giving Tree outside of the school office sometime, and take a look.

Thank you for your continued support, and God bless!

Here are some other fundraisers that help Cathedral School:

- Campbell's Soup Labels
- Box Tops for Education
- Ink Doctor
- Our Family Labels
- Tyson Project A+
- Target Card
- Happy Joe's
- Giving Tree
- Pop Tops



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