

Cathedral School Review

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St. Robert Bellarmine

At our school Mass this week, Fr. Bob pointed out that we all like to celebrate—birthdays, graduations, and anniversaries, just to name a few! Today, we celebrate the feast day of St. Robert Bellarmine. In the church, a saint's feast day is determined either by when he or she was born or when he or she died. In this case, we celebrate St. Bellarmine's death (or, birth into heaven).

St. Robert Bellarmine was a cardinal (a bishop with a

special job, helping the Pope), theologian, teacher, and a great defender of the truths of our faith. We can ask him to pray for us, that we might also find the truth that brings us all closer to eternal life!

In addition, Fr. Bob also told us about relics. A very old and important tradition involves praying while being near a loved one's grave. This is even more important, regarding a saint's grave. But, what if you couldn't get to that grave site, for some rea-

son? In that case, we could bring the grave to you. A relic, then, is a small part of a saint. If we can't go to a saint's grave-site, then we can bring the saint to us!

In fact, Fr. Bob had a relic of St. Bellarmine with him today. It is a reminder that not only is St. Bellarmine with us physically, but more importantly, he is with us spiritually, praying on our behalf to the Lord. Thanks be to God!

In Other News...

Mass Schedule

September 24—planned by 4th Grade

October 1—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

September 23—Grades 3 & 4

September 30—Grades 5 & 6

Two Hours Late

School will begin two hours late on Monday, September 22. So, morning recess will run from 10:00 to 10:15 a.m. and classes will begin at 10:20 a.m. Also, we will not be serving breakfast

that morning. The teachers will be having a workshop time on our new math textbooks. If you have any other questions, please contact the school office. Thank you!

New Gate

You may have noticed our new gate in the back of the school, by the playground! We're very excited to see our grant money being put to such good use, keeping our children safe on the play-

ground! As we get used to the new equipment, we would like to ask your help in keeping it as nice and new as we can, for as long as we can. To that end, we ask that only adults open and shut the large, rolling gate. This will also help to keep people safe, since while the gate is very heavy, it also rolls very easily. Also, because it rolls very easily, please be careful to open it slowly, so as to avoid damaging the rollers. If you have any other ques-

tions about the gate, please call the school office. Thank you for your help!

PACE Incentive Winners

This year, PACE is offering an incentive contest. The class who has the most parents at a PACE meeting wins an extra 15 minutes of recess. This week, Kindergarten had the greatest percentage of parents in attendance at the meeting. They will have their extra 15 minutes of recess this Friday, September 19th. Congratulations!

Our Family Label Contest

You probably noticed, in last week's newsletter, that for a short time, Our Family labels are worth *double credit*! To help encourage as much participation as we can, we will hold an Our Family Label Contest. Each classroom will be collecting the labels until Wednesday, September 24. At that time, we will count up all of the labels. Whichever class collects the most labels wins an extra half-hour of recess! In addition, the entire school wins extra money for our participation in this program. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity!

Benefit Dinner

One of our Cathedral School parents, Tammy Brule-Shaver, is currently fighting cancer. Please join us in supporting her in this fight by attending a Spaghetti Dinner, sponsored by the Mentor Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department on Sunday, September 28 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. The free will donation will go toward her medical bills. Thank you for your help!

Fire Drill

This week, we held our second fire drill of the school year. We practiced leaving the church safely, and we did very well! We will have more drills as the year goes by, helping to keep everyone safer. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school office.

God's Blessings on Your Birthday

Courtney Lindtwed, Grade 4—
September 18

Fundraising Opportunities

Each week, we will highlight a different on-going fundraiser. This week, we will take a closer look at the Our Family Labels.

Using them to support the school is easy!

Instead of throwing away the wrapper, cut out the UPC symbol. Then, just send it in to the school. We'll take it from there. That's all there is to it!

This week, we've learned that for a short time only, we will get *double credit* for any Our Family Labels that we submit. That's \$0.10 for every label! Elva Bissonette has generously agreed to head up the label project again. If you have any other questions, please let us know.

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
- Our Family Labels
- Target Card
- Giving Tree
- Pop Tops

School Board Corner

We would like to introduce the officers of the 2008-2009 Cathedral School Board. They are co-chairs Kris MacGregor and Stephanie Olson, and Secretary Colleen MacCrae. Thank you to these people who are willing to serve in these leadership positions!

The Cathedral School Board's next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 22nd at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend!

You can find many different foods in the grocery store that have the Our Family Label. These are items that you may be buying anyway, like cheese or rice.



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