

St. Michael's School News

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Catholic Schools Week

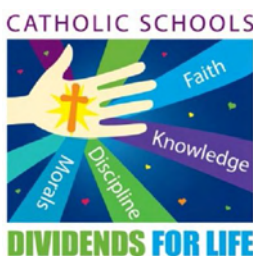
Each year at this time, we focus on the gift that Catholic education provides to America's young people and its contributions to our church, our communities and our nation. This year's theme, "Catholic Schools: Dividends for Life," underscores the commitment of Catholic schools to provide long-term benefits to the nation's youth: faith, knowledge, morals and discipline.

Saturday, January 30th – Dividends for Life: In Our Parish

We begin with mass at St. Michael's Church at 5:00 p.m. Pews will be reserved for our families. Students who have a reading part are asked to sit in the front pew but may sit with their families after their part is finished. Readers (and those involved in the opening procession) are asked to arrive by **4:30 p.m.**

Students should be in their dress uniform for this mass.

An Open House will follow at the school. Students' work and projects will be on display as well as the Family Project based on "Top 5 Reasons to Send Your Child to St. Michael's School." The Scholastic Book Fair will be open in the school's library. Refreshments will also be served. **Each family is asked to bring either one dozen sandwiches or one dozen cookies for the Open House.**



*The mission of
St. Michael's Catholic School is
to know as Jesus knew,
to love as Jesus loved,
and to serve as Jesus served.*

Monday, February 1st - Dividends for Life: In Our Community

Community leaders and supporters of the school will be invited to a special reception at the school to thank them for their help and support throughout the year. **Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to bring something for this morning reception.**

A "Baby Shower" begins today to benefit the Gabriel Project. The Gabriel Project helps unwed mothers and their babies in the Diocese of Victoria, including our community of Cuero. Donations of diapers and other baby items will be accepted.

Tuesday, February 2nd – Dividends for Life: In Our Students

Parents have signed up to give presentations on their favorite hobby or craft. The Jump Rope for Heart will be held that afternoon. School uniforms do not need to be worn. **Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to send fruit for the students.**

Wednesday, February 3rd – Dividends for Life: In Our Nation

A Prayer Service for Peace will be held at 8:00 a.m. Students will make valentines for the military.

Thursday, February 4th – Dividends for

Life: In Our Vocations

Students will participate in activities to celebrate “The Year of the Priest.” Our Annual Covered Dish Supper and Variety Show will be held at St. Michael’s Hall at 6:30 p.m. **Each family is asked to bring one meat dish and one vegetable dish or dessert.**

Friday, February 5th – Dividends for Life:

In Our Faculty, Staff and Volunteers

The faculty and staff will be treated to a special luncheon provided by the H.S.A. **Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to bring food on this day.**

The QSP Magazine Drive ends Tuesday, January 26th. All orders must be turned in by that time in order to qualify for prizes. Remember that on-line orders do count towards prizes. Students will receive their prizes next Wednesday.

Tax Time

If you need information for your tax returns concerning daycare for 2009, please stop by the school office. Information is now available.

Relay for Life

The St. Michael’s School Relay for Life team is now forming. If you would like to join our team, please sign up outside Mrs. Haun’s classroom. We are selling luminaries for the event to be held in April. The price for each luminary is \$5.00 and may be purchased in memory of or in honor of a loved one. For more information, please come by the school office.

Quotes to Celebrate CSW

The many facets of Catholic education have been expressed in the words of Biblical writers, leaders, philosophers, and poets. The following quotations reflect the “dividends for life” theme for Catholic Schools Week 2010.

Education

An investment in knowledge always pays the best interest. – Benjamin Franklin

Faith

Faith leads us beyond ourselves. It leads us directly to God. – Pope John Paul II

Knowledge

Knowledge is like a garden: If it is not cultivated, it cannot be harvested. – African Proverb

Morals

Religion is the solid basis of good morals; therefore education should teach the precepts of religion, and the duties of man toward God. – Gouverneur Morris

Discipline

With self-discipline most anything is possible. – Theodore Roosevelt

What Our Children

Believe

Is Just As Important

As What They Know