

St. Michael's School News

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Catholic Schools Week Begins

This is the week our students, their families, and our teachers look forward to each year. This is the week St. Michael's School joins with Catholic schools throughout our nation to celebrate what makes us special and unique. 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

Mass begins at 5:00 p.m. Those participating are asked to be here by 4:30 p.m. **Dress uniforms must be worn.** Students participating in the opening procession will meet at the last pew. Students reading will meet at the front pew. When students have finished their part, they may go and sit with their families. Please help them find you.

A few of our students will serve as greeters. It is very important that these students be on time. **I am also looking for volunteers to hand out the holy cards that the students have made at the 10:00 a.m. mass on Sunday. If you can help with this, please let me know.**

The Open House follows the mass. Students' work will be on display in the classrooms. Refreshments will be served. The Scholastic Book Fair will be held throughout the week in the library.

*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 have been invited to a special reception from 8:30 – 10:30. The members of the Student Council will provide tours of the school.

The "Baby Shower" for the Gabriel Project will be held throughout the week.

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

School uniforms do not need to be worn. Clothing should be appropriate for school. Several sessions have been scheduled for the students. The day will conclude with fruit treats and the Jump Rope for Heart event.

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

A prayer service for peace will be held at 8:10 a.m. in St. Michael's Church. Students will make valentines for the military.

Thursday, February 4th – Dividends for Life: In Our Vocations

Students will take part in activities to celebrate the "Year of the Priest." The annual Covered Dish Supper and Variety Show will be held beginning at 6:30 p.m. in St. Michael's Hall.

Friday, February 5th – Dividends for Life: In Our Faculty, Staff and Volunteers

The faculty and staff will be treated to a luncheon provided by the H.S.A.

Classes will dismiss at noon next Friday, February 5th because of the monthly faculty meeting. Daycare will be open as usual. Students staying will need to bring lunches.

QSP Magazine Drive

Thank you to everyone who helped support our annual QSP Magazine Drive by selling or buying magazine subscriptions. Magazines should start arriving in 6-8 weeks. Remember that orders can be made at any time by going to www.qsp.com.

Relay for Life

The St. Michael's School Relay for Life team is now 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.

Tax Time

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

Generations of Faith

The next meeting of *Generations of Faith* will take place on Sunday, February 7th at 11:30 a.m. and Wednesday, February 10th at 5:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe.

February Birthdays

1 – Bishop Whitt
3 – Ariana Diaz
12 – Hanna Samuel
13 – Dalton Eckhardt
14 – Luke Avant
17 – Andrew Uresti
18 – Hally Gips
22 – David Rath

Thank you to John Meitzen and Kevin Hernandez for helping put up the soccer nets.

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

Education is one of the most important ways by which the church fulfills its commitment to the dignity of the person and the building of community. – To Teach As Jesus Did, USCC

Faith

Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence. – Helen Keller

Knowledge

Knowledge is of no value unless you put it into practice. – Anton Chekov

Morals

Character is doing the right thing when nobody's looking. – J. C. Watts

Discipline

Discipline is the refining fire by which talent becomes ability. – Roy L. Smith

***What Our Children Believe
Is Just As Important
As What They Know***