What's New at St. James

from the desk of Ms. Saunders, February 19, 2021

February is the Month of the Passion of Our Lord

The month of February is traditionally dedicated to the Passion of Our Lord in anticipation of the liturgical season of Lent. In this month, we begin to meditate on the mystery of Jesus' sufferings which culminated in his death on the Cross for the redemption of mankind. Saints who had a special devotion to Christ's passion include St. Francis of Assisi, who was the first known saint to receive the stigmata; St. John of the Cross; St. Bridget of Sweden; and St. Catherine of Siena.

Snow, Snow, and More Snow

Is winter over yet???? I have to say, I'm tired of snow days. It has been so nice the past couple of days to be here and to see all the smiling faces in the halls. Hopefully the weather will level out, and we can get back to business as usual.



Sweetheart Raffle

On Sunday, February 14, we held our sweetheart raffle. I am happy to report that we collected over \$24,000 in ticket sales. We beat our goal by over \$4000. Our profit was half of the total. Thank you so much for all of your hard work selling tickets.

Here are the winners from the raffle:

1st Place, \$6,101: James Pardeck 2nd Place, \$3,050: Earl and Anna Saxton 3rd Place, \$3,050: Kathy Bravo

Congratulations to the winners, and thank you everyone for supporting St. James!

Reminder: Informational Meeting

Reminder: On February 25 at 7:00 p.m., we will be holding an informational meeting for parents and parishioners regarding changes to our curriculum that will be happening over the course of the next few years. Please come and share with us in our excitement about this new journey. Feel free to ask any questions you like at this time to gain greater understanding.

Upcoming Dates

No School, Professional Development for Staff. February 25-26 Parent/Parishioners Informational Meeting. February 25, 7:00 p.m. God Is Retreat. February 27 Board Meeting. March 3 End of Third Quarter. March 12 Parent/Teacher Conferences. March 18 St. Joseph's Day, No school. March 19 Iowa Testing. March 22-31

For the Coming Month

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.



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"And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

John 8:32

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