

St. Francis de Sales School

Week of February 13, 2024

"Learning & Living our Catholic Faith in the Light of Jesus Christ"

Mrs. Missy Wood



This Week's Events

- **Wednesday, Feb 14th**
 - 10:00 am
 - Ash Wednesday Mass - Middle School Leading
- **Friday, Feb 16th**
 - NO SCHOOL - Winter Break 2/16-2/19

Look Ahead

- February 19th
 - NO SCHOOL - Winter Break
- February 20th
 - School Resumes
- February 22nd
 - Regional Spelling Bee @ SFDS
- February 23rd
 - Interims Go Home
- March 2nd
 - History Fair District Competition
- March 7th
 - Literacy Night & Bookfair with Paper Pie Books!
- March 8th
 - NO SCHOOL - Teacher PD

S2 Club Raffle winners

February 13th, 2024 Winners

\$50.00 - Matt Rondeau
\$25.00 - Melissa White
\$15.00 - Renee MacGregor
\$10.00 - Brandon Berglund



This year Mrs. Wood took on a huge task when asked to teach 6th, 7th, and 8th grade as a combined class. With her experience and expertise we had no doubt she could handle the job and would excel. She is an outstanding middle school teacher; the kids respect her and have fun while learning.

Middle School just wrapped up History Fair. They are reading The Watson's Go to Birmingham by Christopher Paul Curtis, diagramming sentences, and mastering parts of speech. 7th/8th is learning about percent's and 6th grade is wrapping up their intro to algebra. Finally, in religion, they are learning Salvation History.

Ash Wednesday

The Good News:

On February 14th, we celebrate Ash Wednesday which will mark the beginning of Lent. It is a time of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving (acts of charity) which prepares our church for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday.



Did you know the ashes for Ash Wednesday are created by burning palms from the previous year's Palm Sunday celebration.

Our virtue for February is **Honesty**. Whoever walks honestly, walks securely, but one whose ways are crooked will fare badly. Proverbs 10:9

Our Ash Wednesday Mass will be Wednesday, February 14th at 10:00 am. This will take the place of our school Mass February 15th.

Reminder: Catholics and Non-Catholics are welcome to receive ashes on this day as it is not a Sacrament.



Ash Wednesday Collection

If you plan to attend the Ash Wednesday School Mass, please know they will be sending around an offertory basket at this Mass. 100% of the collection will go to the school for the annual Catholic School Collection.



Lenten Rice Bowls are coming home tomorrow on Ash Wednesday. For more information about the Catholic Relief Services program go to crsricebowl.org. If you did not get a Rice Bowl, or need more, we have them in the office.



The 5th through 8th grade winners from the District Spelling Bee will complete Thursday, February 22nd at 6: 00 pm in the Reginal Spelling Bee at SFDS gymnasium. Everyone is invited to come and cheer them on!

SFDS Winner: 6th: Chase C. will be moving on!



History Fair



The History Fair was a huge success with students submitting excellent projects. **Our first place winners from the event who will be moving on to Districts are:**

First Place - Junior (6th-8th) Individual Exhibit: Amy K. - "Woodstock"

Second Place - Junior (6th-8th) Individual Exhibit: Jack Z. -

"The Effect of the First Atomic Bomb"

First Place - Junior (6th-8th) Group Exhibit: Cecelia N., Ivy H., & Elise S. -

"What Happened After 9/11"

Second Place - Junior (6th-8th) Group Exhibit: Justin J. & Luke B.- "Color Barrier"

The District Competition will be held at St. Francis de Sales on March 2nd.

The 4th & 5th grade classes also submitted projects, but are not eligible to compete. They did an outstanding job! To view the winners from those classes follow this link:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/12eNfm1-eJrXit-Y9pdcRibK5hgENjQyw/view?usp=drive_link



Our February SuperBowl Can-A-Thon started yesterday!

Bring in non-expired canned food, or non perishable items for a change to win a pajama party for your child's class!

Shepherds of the Week



These students have been following the Fruits of the Spirit and leading their classmates on the path of Virtue and Goodness.



• Snowshoe Club -

Every **Tuesday** 3:05 pm to 4:15 pm

• Builders Club

Every Monday at lunchtime
Grades 4th - 8th

• Faith Club

Tuesday, March 12th, for 5th - 8th grade during 2nd lunch.