



Dear Parents and Guardians,

February 9, 2018

Catholic Schools Week was a lot of fun, but was also a lot of work! I'm grateful to everyone who helped make our celebration a successful one. In particular, I would like to recognize our faculty and staff for all of their extra efforts this week.

- Sr. Maria and Sr. Elise and our 8th graders led us in our morning prayer each day.
- Ms. Cecile dressed up kindergarten students in saint costumes each morning.
- Mr. Matthews organized an awesome "African-American Speaker Series" for our middle school students. The series will run throughout the month of February.
- Mrs. Fitzgerald coached our academic team at DeMatha's Academic Challenge and also hosted our middle school Spelling Bee.
- Ms. Foreman hosted two sessions of Bingo for all grades.
- Mrs. Andercheck organized the Reptiles Alive! Show for PreK-grade 5.
- Coach Hunter organized Class v. Class games.
- Mr. Washington and Ms. Kathleen refereed our Staff v. 8th grade game. More than seven staff members played in the basketball game.
- Mrs. Patterson and a host of cooks prepared our spaghetti lunch.
- Sr. Elise and the 8th grade hosted the bake sale.
- Six teachers stayed to assist with the evening Open House
- Mrs. Horne hosted the teddy bear/ sweet treat raffle.
- All teachers decorated their classroom doors.

This year's Catholic Schools Week committee was chaired by Senora Bunker. Her creativity and enthusiasm were behind all of these events and activities. I am very grateful to her for all of her efforts. It was an exciting and memorable week!

Report Cards... Second quarter report cards were distributed today. If you did not receive your child's report card it may be because your family has outstanding fees or tuition. Contact Mrs. Bond with any questions.

Register online today! The TADS set up code is A8EIM-2SN. Families must re-register by Thursday, March 1st to guarantee your child's 2018-2019 placement. After March 1st your child's seat may be forfeited as we will begin offering enrollment to new students. If you have an incoming Pre-K3 or Pre-K4 student it is urgent that you reserve your child's seat early. Current families have preference, but they must act quickly. We will open Pre-K3 and Pre-K4 enrollment to new families beginning on March 2nd. Contact Mrs. Bond with any questions.

Mardi Gras... Our parish's Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Mardi Gras Dinner-Dance to benefit our school on Saturday, February 10 at St. Francis Hall. Tickets are \$30 each and can be purchased from the front office. The fun begins at 7:00 PM. Please join us. It'll be a great time!

Open House... Open Houses are scheduled for the first Wednesday of the month at 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM. The next one is Wednesday, March 7. Please help spread the word.

You're Invited... Fr. Fred invites parents, grandparents, and other interested adults to two faith formation opportunities. "Following Christ" is a 7-Wednesday series beginning February 18 until April 4. This free event is held in Margot Hall, 7:00-9:00 PM. The series combines prayer, fellowship, dinner, and engaging speakers. "Discovering Your Strengths" is a 6-Monday series beginning February 19-March 6. The series asks for a \$30 participation fee to cover the costs of materials. These series will be held in the parish's "Ministries Room," at 7:00 PM. Contact the parish office for more details, (202) 526-8822. All are welcome.

Important Dates

Saturday, February 10 (7:00-11:00 PM)	Mardi Gras Dinner Dance (St. Francis Hall)
Tuesday, February 13	St. Valentine Tag Day (\$1.00)
Tuesday, February 13 (4:00-8:00 PM)	Brookland Chipotle Fundraiser
Tuesday, February 13 (6:00 PM)	Child Protection Workshop
Wednesday, February 14 (8:15 AM)	Ash Wednesday Mass
Monday, February 19	Presidents Day- No School
Friday, February 23 (TBA)	Black History Assembly
Friday, March 2	Read Across America
Wednesday, March 7 (9:00 AM & 6:30 PM)	Open House
Wednesday, March 8	12:30 PM Dismissal
Wednesday, March 8 (6:30-7:30 PM)	Home & School Meeting
Friday, March 9	Collaboration Day- No School

Thank you for partnering with St. Anthony Catholic School. You're an important part of our school community and we feel blessed to have your family as part of our school community. Enjoy your weekend.

Sincerely,
Michael Thomasian
Principal



Proudly celebrating our 95th year!