



Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord;
and my father will love him and we will come to him.
John 14:23

Dear Parents and Guardians,

October 31, 2021



Tuesday's Mass celebrated by Cardinal Gregory was wonderful! The memorial Mass was in honor Ms. Paula Nowakowski, the late chief-of-staff to former House Speaker John Boehner. Boehner, a longtime supporter of the Consortium, joined with our board of directors to create a scholarship in "Ms. Paula's" name. This year the prestigious scholarship award was given to Kiara Brown, a current 7th grader. Kiara has attended St. Anthony since kindergarten and has proven to work hard, demonstrate kindness, and live her faith through her actions. Congratulations, Kiara! We had an informal

reception after the Mass where a handful of elementary school students were able to ask Cardinal Gregory a few questions. It was another fun and memorable visit!

The Archdiocese's Catholic Standard newspaper and its communications office did a fantastic job covering the event. I encourage you to take a few minutes to read the article and watch the video.

All Saints Day... Monday, November 1st is All Saints Day, a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have our army of junior saints with us a reminder that the Church needs more saints and that we're all called to sainthood. Mass will begin at 10:00 AM in our church. All are welcome.

Happy Birthday... Today is Ms. Cecile's birthday! Ms. Cecile is our librarian and lead teacher for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. We wish her a year full of happiness!

Open House... Our next "Come & See" open house is Wednesday, November 3rd at 10:30 AM. Your help in spreading the word is appreciated. Prospective families should RSVP on our website. Thank you in advance for sharing the "good news" of a St. Anthony education!

Pumpkin Decorating Contest... Our Virtual Pumpkin Decorating Contest continues on Facebook until noon today! (Scroll past more recent posts to view the entries.) Remember, you can vote for as many pumpkins as you would like! Good luck to all contestants!

Principal Chats... This week's Virtual Principal Chat is on as scheduled.

Plus Portals... Parents/ guardians of students in grades 4-8 are encouraged to login to Plus Portals weekly to review recent assignments and grades. This is one of the best ways to stay informed of your child's progress.

Report Card Conferences... Please note that first quarter parent/ teacher conferences will be held virtually on Thursday, November 11th. In the coming weeks, teachers will email you a sign-up.

Calendar... Our school calendar can be found on our website. Please review upcoming early dismissal days and special events. Please note that there is a 12:30 PM dismissal on Wednesday, November 3rd and no school on Thursday, November 11th.

Health & Safety... During this time we need everyone's cooperation and support to keep our school community safe and healthy.

- Complete the health screening prior to coming to school each day.
- Do not send your child to school if he/ she is sick.
- If someone in your house has Covid your student should not come to school.
- Students need to be in the building by 8:00 AM. Late arrivals and early dismissal are frowned upon.

If your child is out for three consecutive days or a consecutive Friday and Monday then he/ she must return with either a doctor's note or a negative Covid test.

Our Halloween festivities were so much fun! First, thank your Mrs. Andercheck and our primary team for hosting a fabulous "Fall Festival" on Wednesday morning. And many thanks to everyone who supported our "Boo-Walk-Thur", donated decorations and/ or goodies, attended, or helped in any way. Special thanks are extended to Ms. Terry, Ms. Kathleen, and Ms. Zappa and to parents Ms. Tanzi West and Mr. Chris Carroll for all of their hard work! Also, thank you to Ms. Zappa for organizing all of our Virtual Pumpkin Decorating submissions and posts! Teamwork makes the dream work!

I wish everyone a safe and happy Halloween!

Sincerely,

Mr. Thomasian
Principal



Proudly celebrating our 99th year!