



Prairie Catholic Weekly Newsletter February 27, 2014

Message from the Principal:

Next week Prairie Catholic will be observing Ash Wednesday on the 5th. So that means Prairie Catholic will be **celebrating** Grandparents/Family Day and Mardi Gras on Tuesday, March 4th. All family members, but especially grandparents, are welcomed to spend all (or part) of the afternoon with their students.

As we have done in the past, family members are welcomed to eat lunch with their students. We will be serving lunch from 11:00-11:45am in St. Gabriel's cafeteria. An RSVP to either school office is appreciated. After a quick recess for the students from 11:45am-12:15pm, we will be honoring these important family members with a special Mass at 12:15pm in St. Gabriel's Church. At 1:00pm the carnival games hosted by the 7th grade will be ready for kids back in St. Gabriel's school. Game tickets are still available and can be picked up at the event. Please make time to attend!

Quick reference:

11:00-11:45am – Lunch is served in the St. Gabriel's Cafeteria

11:45am-12:10pm – Student recess

12:15pm – Grandparents Mass in St. Gabriel's Church

1:00pm – Mardi Gras Carnival hosted by the 7th grade

3:15pm – All students dismissed from St. Gabriel's School

- Tomorrow, Friday February 28th the 4th and 5th grades will be attending the play "*The Civil War*" on the campus of Viterbo University. They will also be eating lunch at Culver's.
- Prairie Catholic will host an All School Mass at St. Gabriel's to observe Ash Wednesday on the 5th at 8:30am. All students should be dropped off at St. Gabriel's and the middle school students will be bused back to St. John's at conclusion.
- Today the Lenten mite boxes will be going home. The proceeds from the boxes will be sent to Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II Orphanage.
- The end of the year Basketball Banquet will be hosted at St. Gabriel's School on Sunday, March 2nd at 5:30pm. All coaches and players are invited to evening. Each family is asked to bring a dish to pass and your own drink.
- Dr. Seuss Week is March 2nd through the 7th. On Tuesday, March 4th St. Gabriel's will open its doors to the public at 6:00pm for Dr. Seuss Night and different readings from the author. The night concludes with milk and cake in the cafeteria. Please make plans to attend.
- The 4th and 8th grades will complete the Diocese of La Crosse Religious Assessments during the week of March 3rd through the 7th. Each year these grades complete these tests and we are able to grade ourselves versus other schools in our diocese.
- The administration needs to pass along a message form the Fund 80 coordinators: anyone who lives outside of the Prairie du Chien School District will be charged an additional amount to participate in Fund 80 activities. The extra charge applies to any student enrolled in public or Prairie Catholic that utilizes Fund 80 activities but lives outside the district.

- Basketball uniforms can be returned to your coach or to either school office in a clearly labeled bag.
- 8th Grade parents, please see the attached letter regarding the Washington DC trip. It spells out the amount your child fundraised and the amount remaining.
- The end of the 3rd term is March 14th. This is the time to check grades on Skyward and make any plans or adjust any schedules to maximize student study time.
- Any 7th or 8th graders interested in the Marquette-McGregor Center for the Arts spring program “Art in the Public Eye” workshop can contact the school office for more information.

Prayer: Jesus our Redeemer, you ask us to commit to remaining your beloved sons and daughters. Help us to follow your lead about giving up activities, plans, and people who lead us away from your goodness, truth, and beauty. Give us strength to resist what may cause us to fall from your grace. In your name we pray. Amen.

Mark Your Calendars

February 28th – 4/5 Grade to Viterbo for play
 March 2nd – Basketball Banquet, St. Gabriel’s, 5:30pm
 March 4th – Grandparents Day
 March 4th – Mardi Gras presented by the 7th Grade, St. Gabriel’s, 1:00pm
 March 4th – Dr. Seuss Night, St. Gabriel’s, 6-7:00pm
 March 5th – Ash Wednesday, All School Mass, St. Gabriel’s 8:30am
 March 7th – Banking/finance Speaker in 2nd Grade, 1:00pm
 March 11th – Prairie Catholic School Forensics Competition, pm
 March 14th – End of 3rd Term, Seriously the end of the 3rd Term!
 March 18th – Multi-school Forensics Competition, Bluffview, 5:30pm
 March 19th – Washington DC Pack-It-Up Night, St. Gabriel’s, 6:30pm
 March 20th – Report Cards go home
 March 21st – NO SCHOOL
 March 24th – NO SCHOOL Teacher in-service in La Crosse
 March 25th – 7th/8th Madison Field Trip, Bus at 7:45am
 March 28th – Kindergarten Screening, St. Gabriel’s
 March 28th – Public No School (no bussing), Family Transport Day
 March 28th and 30th – Dancing with the Stars! Look for more information

