



# Prairie Catholic Weekly Newsletter September 12, 2013

## Messages from Principal:

Prairie Catholic will celebrate our Patron Saints with a day of exuberance at Wyalusing State Park. Families can drop off their students at normal time to their schools. The students will be bused to the park at 8:30am where we will celebrate a Mass with Fr. Weighner at 9:00am. After Mass, the students will break into groups and participate in break-out sessions with talented presenters. The school is preparing a sack lunch for the students so parents need not worry about lunch. At 1:30pm the students will return to Prairie High School's little theater for a chemistry show. (The pre-kindergarten students will be bused back to St. Gabriel's Daycare at 1:30pm.) At 3:00pm the middle school students will walk back to St. John's as the St. Gabriel's students will be bused to the elementary. The students will be dismissed at normal time from their normal school. All parents and Holy Family community are welcomed to attend any portion of the day. Wyalusing Park will grant anyone with Prairie Catholic a free day pass so don't worry about cost. Make time to come and enjoy the day with your kids/our students.

- The 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will travel to Cannons at the Fort on Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. The 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students should be **dropped off at St. John's School** and will walk to the event. They will be **dismissed from St. John's School** at the end of the day.
- Student Council officers have been elected. The school administration has been very impressed with the campaign flyers around the school and enjoyed the student speeches. The officers are:  
**President:** Sam Peterson                      **Vice-President:** Ben Teynor  
**Secretary:** Joshua Linder                      **Treasurer:** Preston Hendrix  
The class representative vote is Thursday afternoon. Results to follow in next week's newsletter.
- It looks as though St. John's will be ready for our first student Mass on Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. A sneak peak showed the start of a beautiful project. The middle school students will have normal weekday Masses starting next week.
- The individual classes will have their Washington DC fundraising meeting next Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade had theirs this week, so we will not meet. The 7<sup>th</sup> grade will meet at 5:30pm, the 6<sup>th</sup> grade at 6:00pm and the 5<sup>th</sup> grade at 6:30pm.
- Picture re-takes will be on Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>. St. Gabriel's will take theirs at 8:30am and St. John's will follow.
- The third magazine fundraiser turn in date is Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. Get out and make that final strong push! The school would like to thank everyone that has participated in this event that benefits the schools.
- All families are invited to attend the Holy Family Bazar on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Prairie Catholic would like to thank Police Chief Abram for swearing in our safety patrol students last Friday afternoon. Ten 8<sup>th</sup> grade students have answered the call to serve our student population. Thank you for your time!

- **Busing For In Town Students** – REMINDER to all any student using the in town bus service. You must have filled out this information when doing your students on-line registration. If you did not do so, please contact the office immediately.
- Prairie Catholic will gladly accept used ink cartridges; milk caps from and Milk Moola; Box Tops for Education; Campbell's soup labels and now Sunny D labels (16oz or larger)

**Job well done:** Last year's Prairie Catholic second grade students (this year's third grade) scored a Grade Equivalency of 3.2 on the Reading portion of The Iowa Tests. This was good for a **98<sup>th</sup>** percentile rank of National School Norms. Great Job!

*Prayer: Jesus our Redeemer, you give us lessons that are so hard to follow sometimes. Give us patience and renewed hope in your power. We ask this in your name. Amen.*

### **Mark Your Calendars**

September 12<sup>th</sup> – Student Council Representative Elections, St. John's, 3:00pm

September 13<sup>th</sup> – Cannons and Redcoats at Fort Crawford Museum – Grades 4, 5 and 8

September 18<sup>th</sup> – Washington DC Fundraising Meetings, 7<sup>th</sup> grade 5:30; 6<sup>th</sup> grade 6:00; 5<sup>th</sup> grade 6:30 St.

Gabriel's Cafeteria

September 19<sup>th</sup> – Picture Re-takes, 8:30am at St. Gabriel's and St. John's to follow

September 20<sup>th</sup> – Patrons Day at Wyalusing Park

September 20<sup>th</sup> – Middle School Athletic Eligibility Check

September 22<sup>nd</sup> – Birthday Party pot luck for Fr. Jack, St. Gabriel's basement after 10:00am Mass

September 23<sup>rd</sup> – Fall Teacher Regionals in La Crosse – NO SCHOOL

