



# PRAIRIE CATHOLIC WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

May 2, 2019

## From the Principal

Dear families -

Even though we are starting the last stretch of the school year, please continue to help us enforce the importance of good behavior and a solid work ethic with the children. Thank you, in advance, for supporting all that the teachers are doing during the school day to keep our students challenged by checking at home to see that homework and projects are completed.

All students (3K to 8th grade) are expected to arrive at school on time. A student's entire day can be thrown off by simply missing the morning routine in his/her classroom. Additionally, by arriving on time you send the message that you respect others and appreciate the value of their time and attention.

This month and going into the busy summer months, our monthly newsletter from Teaching the Way of Love has a very important message for our families. Please take time to read the newsletter and incorporate filling your home with God's spirit.

Spiritual maturity is a lifelong journey for each of us. We know that the family plays a pivotal role in the development of spiritual maturity because it is the first and most intimate community of love. The family is designed by God to be the center of radiant faith in God. Let's take a look at seven key ways that a family can become what God intends it to be—the seedbed for faith and divine love.

1. Pray together each and every day. This can be done formally or informally.
2. Eat meals together and interact in ways that ensure everyone knows they belong to the family.
3. Celebrate rituals and holy days. Always rejoice in the good news from God and from each other.

4. Enter into family discussions about what matters to you. Invite God's wisdom into each discussion.

5. Nurture the personal prayer life of each family member. Encourage and value each person's time alone with God in prayer.

6. Worship together with other families each week by attending Mass and regular reception of the Sacraments. Draw your family close to the Universal Church.

7. Serve others in need as a family. Make this a mission of your entire family.

Thank you for the sacrifices you make and for your constant support for Catholic education and the mission of Prairie Catholic School. Let us ask God for the strength and courage to live our Catholic faith and to carry Christ's mission into the lives of our children—creating Catholic leaders and ultimately equipping saints!

With peace ~ Mary Henry, Principal

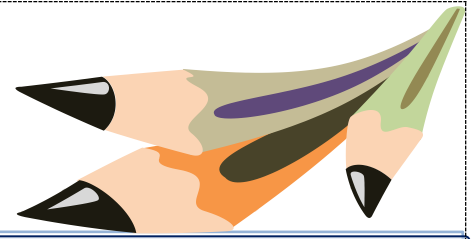
## Saints Scramble and Saints Social

It is finally here!! The Saints Scramble will be held this Saturday, May 4th at the Prairie du Chien Country Club. There are two divisions for your consideration.

There is still time to form a team to play or even sponsoring a hole with a sign. This event is perfect for the first time golfer! Registration forms are available on-line or in the school office.

**May Crowning** – Thank you to the second graders and students who made our May Crowning so beautiful! Check out more photos on our Facebook page.





**CORRECTION – Date and Time! - The 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Mass** – Father Weighner has asked that the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents leaving on the Washington DC trip attend Mass together for a Pilgrimage Blessing. **This year the date is Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm.**

**Volunteers Needed –**

- On Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 to 3:00 pm we will be hosting an All School Celebration. Volunteers are welcome to help. If you are interested in helping or needing volunteer hours please contact Molly Kirschbaum at [hotlunch@prairiecatholic.org](mailto:hotlunch@prairiecatholic.org) or the school office.
- Bingo is also looking for volunteers to help run the concession stand two Monday evenings each month. Please call the school office if interested.

**Volunteer Mass & Breakfast** – The school is so fortunate to have so many wonderful volunteers, and would like to recognize them by having a special Mass on Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:15am at St. Gabriel's Church. A continental breakfast and short program will be immediately after Mass.

**Library News** – All library books are due back in the library by Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. We will begin library inventory on May 13<sup>th</sup>. If any parent would like to volunteer to help with inventory, please call Annie or Janet. Simply reading titles from the shelf would be very helpful! Thank you!

**Free throw contest** – On April 26<sup>th</sup> an all school Free throw contest was held. Congratulations to the finalists! Ryan Waller, Corbin Harvey, Claire Kennedy and Mr. Wallace.



**Little Miss Squirt Contest** – Crawford County Dairy Promoters are accepting application for the annual Little Miss Squirt Contest. To qualify for this contest you must live on a dairy farm in Crawford County, or have a family member directly associated with a dairy operation in Crawford County, and be 8-10 years old by May 1, 2018. Applications are available in the school office. Application deadline is May 10, 2019.

**Coming Home Today**

Below is the information coming home this week. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

- Newsletter
- Weekly Church Bulletin
- Permission slip
- May Server Schedule
- May Scrip Schedule
- E-Cigarettes and Vaping article
- Teaching the Way of Love – May 2019 Newsletter
- May Box Tops Sheet
- Little Saints Learning Center newsletter
- Gunderson Bike Safety Program flyer

**Upcoming Events**

- May 4<sup>th</sup>** – Saints Scramble
- May 7<sup>th</sup>** – Kindergarten walks to Peoples State Bank
- May 6<sup>th</sup>** – Student Appreciation Day 12:30-3:00
- May 9<sup>th</sup>** – Volunteer Mass/Breakfast
- May 10<sup>th</sup>** – Pre-K Parent's Program
- May 10<sup>th</sup>** - Break the Code Day – Jersey Day - \$1.00 to Student Council
- May 11<sup>th</sup>** – 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Pilgrimage Mass before Washington DC trip – 4:00pm
- May 13<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>** – 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Washington DC trip
- May 14<sup>th</sup>** – 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade field trip -Ropes course – La Crosse
- May 15<sup>th</sup>** – Golden Ruler Luncheon
- May 20<sup>th</sup>** – 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade field trip to Effigy Mounds
- May 20<sup>th</sup>** – Kindergarten Field trip to Osborne Park
- May 20<sup>th</sup>** – 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Field trip to Dubuque Discovery Lab
- May 21<sup>st</sup>** – 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade to Villa Louis
- May 21<sup>st</sup>** – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation
- May 22<sup>nd</sup>** – 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Mineral Point Pendarvis
- May 24<sup>th</sup>** – Last day of School – Noon dismissal

