



ST. AGNES
SCHOOL

Wednesday e-Folder

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Catholic Social Teaching Theme for March: *Rights & Responsibilities*

This month, our school community celebrates the Catholic Social Teaching theme of *Rights & Responsibilities* for all God's children. The Catholic tradition teaches us that human dignity can be protected and a healthy community can be achieved only if human rights are protected and responsibilities are met. Therefore, every person has a fundamental right to life and a right to those things required for human decency. Corresponding to these rights are duties and responsibilities to one another, to our families, and to the larger society.

<http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/catholic-social-teaching/rights-and-responsibilities.cfm>

What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister has nothing to wear and has no food for the day, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, keep warm, and eat well," but you do not give them the necessities of the body, what good is it?

James Chapter 2: 14-17

Quote of the Week:

"May you always walk in sunshine. May you never want for more. May Irish angels rest their wings right beside your door."

Irish Blessing



<http://www.usccb.org/catholic-giving/opportunities-for-giving/catholic-home-missions-appeal/images/chma-disability-photo-montage.jpg>

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Things You Need to KNOW:

Chromebook Parent Meeting (4th-8th Grade)

As a reminder, in preparation for the next stage of our Technology initiative, we will be hosting a 4th-8th grade parent meeting tonight, Wednesday, March at 6:00pm in the school cafeteria. The goal of this meeting is to discuss the responsibilities and Acceptable Use Agreement that will accompany our new Chromebook technology. Thank you in advance for your attendance at this important meeting.

PowerSchool Parent Access & Report Cards

In the preparation for the end of Trimester 2, PowerSchool parent access will close tomorrow, Thursday March 8 and will re-open Wednesday, March 14. Report cards will be sent home on Friday, March 16.

Weekly Stations of the Cross Prayer Service (4th—8th Grades)

Each Friday during Lent, students in grades 4th—8th will walk the journey of Christ with our weekly Stations of the Cross prayer service. The 6th grade will lead this scheduled prayer service. Please know that parents and other guests are invited to join us in the church for this weekly prayer service event.

N.U.T. Day

Our next scheduled Non-Uniform Day has been arranged for next Thursday, March 15th. In honor of St. Patrick's Day, the students are asked to wear their most festive green attire. The \$1 participation fee will be donated to our parish in support of the CRS Helping Hands program. As a reminder, any student who participates in this event must have paid all previous N.U.T. Day participation fees.

Education Savings Opportunities for Catholic Families

There has been a great deal of conversation lately about school choice, vouchers and savings plans. Recently the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act law has added another parental choice with the expansion of 529 savings plans. Please click [HERE](#) for a copy of a flyer from the NCEA which includes a nice summary of school choice options and a good explanation of the 529 savings plans.

50th Anniversary Prayer Service for Dr. King

An interfaith prayer service has been arranged to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the assassination of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. All schools and parishes across the Archdiocese are encouraged to attend this inter-faith service to support unity, faith and non-violence. As a community of faith, we continue to pray for peace in our City, our Society and our World. Please click [HERE](#) for a copy of the flyer.

St. Agnes Science Night!

We have attempted to reschedule our Science Night, yet have been unable to arrive at an agreeable date with our on-campus hosts, UMBC. Once a date is determined, we will notify all school families.

Rise Up! For Middle School Students

All middle school youth are invited to attend a special faith based event. The **Rise Up** event is scheduled for May 12 from 12:45-9:00pm at the St. Louis Parish in Clarksville. The event will have inflatables, games, service, breakouts, music by National Artist Ike Ndolo and local award winning artist Corrie Dubyoski as well as Keynotes from NCYC main stage presenter and beat boxer Paul J. Kim. The event will also include the celebration of Holy Mass with the new Vocations Director for the AoB, Father Steven Roth.

For a copy of the informational flyer, please click [HERE](#). And as well, to view a promo video for the "Rise Up" event, please select the following link: <https://vimeo.com/257734600>.

Things You Are Asked to DO:

H.S.A. Note

- **Restaurant Night:** Mark your calendar for the next Restaurant Night event that is scheduled for next Wednesday, March 14th at Panda Express. Please click [HERE](#) for a copy of flyer that you are asked to present to your server so that St. Agnes may receive 20% from your purchase.

Middle School St. Patrick's Day Dance Social

What better way to celebrate St. Patrick's feast day than to provide our students an opportunity to enjoy a social event just for them. With this being said, we have arranged a festive celebration in honor of the most **GREEN** day of the year! All 6th, 7th and 8th grade students are invited to share in on the fun as they dance and socialize from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. If your child plans on attending, please click [HERE](#) to register.

Lenten Service Project

St. Agnes will be packing meals on Saturday, March 17th from 9:00am to 1:00pm to benefit **Catholic Relief Services' Helping Hands Program** which delivers meals to church-run centers in West Africa. You may donate online: <http://helpinghands.crs.org/events/st-agnes-st-william-2018/> and/or volunteer for the event by signing-up via our parish website: www.saintsaw.org.

"Feed the Hungry" Fridays

As part of our Lenten commitment to respect the dignity of the marginalized of our society, we will continue to collect canned goods and non-perishable items for the Catonsville Emergency Assistance agency. Items may be brought into the school office by Friday of this week. Thank you for your support!

Volunteer Opportunities

- **Easter Egg Hunt:** The St. Agnes Parish and School Community will host an **Easter Egg Hunt** on Saturday, March 24. Volunteers are needed to donate filled eggs (24 eggs = 1 Hour, up to 3 hours max per family). Filled eggs (containing candy or small trinkets) are due by **Friday, March 9**. Volunteers are also needed to hide the eggs and help during the event. Please sign-up [HERE](#).
- **Middle School Social:** We are need of parent volunteers who are willing to decorate and clean-up for the March 17th St. Patrick's Day dance social event. Please contact the school office if you are willing to assist.

Easter Egg Hunt

St. Agnes School and St. Agnes Parish are hosting a community Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 24th for children 10 and under. Sign-in starts at 9am with the hunt starting promptly at 9:30. Click [HERE](#) for an informational flyer. Online registration is encouraged; please register [HERE](#).

Pre-K 3 "Meet & Greet"

Following the Easter Egg Hunt, St. Agnes School is hosting a PreK-3 Meet and Greet event in which prospective families can come explore the classroom, meet our teachers, and meet new friends. This event will be held from 10-12 on Saturday, March 24. Feel free to pass this [FLYER](#) along to anyone who may be looking for PreK-3 in the fall. Participants are asked to register [HERE](#).

Mark Your Calendar

- March 9:** End of Trimester 2
- March 13:** 7th Grade Service Experience at Frederick Villa
- March 14:** H.S.A. Restaurant Night at Panda Express
- March 15:** "Luck O' The Irish" Green-Themed N.U.T. Day
- March 16:** Trimester 2 Report Cards Sent Home
- March 16:** Earthquake & Fire Drills
- March 17:** "Helping Hands" Lenten Service Project
- March 17:** Middle School St. Patrick's Day Dance Social
- March 21:** 6th Grade Service Experience for Westside Shelter
- March 29:** 12:30pm Early Dismissal Day
- March 30-April 8:** Easter Break—School Closed

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