



St. Vincent de Paul School

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What's happening?

February 8, 2024

Fifth Week of Ordinary Time

February 9

No School—Archdiocesan Professional Development Day

Dear Families,

February 13

Celebrating Valentines Day
Students may wear valentine colors.
Assembly, 2 pm

Catholic Schools Week (CSW)

CSW was a great week at St. Vincent's! The students loved making pinwheels to decorate the school grounds, cards for their families and paper flowers for their classroom doors. Serving the 9am Mass folks coffee and muffins and delivering treats to the parish staff made our day on Tuesday. We showed a bit of CSW love to our postman, delivery drivers, RaiseRight parish supporters, and maintenance personnel with "appreciation" bags. Thanks for supporting our food drive. The kindergartners counted 875 food items for our parish food bank. The visitor lunch was a big hit. It was awesome having parents, grandparents, relatives, and friends join us in the lunch room. What a great way to end the week with Mass, a tailgate lunch, and volleyball game (teachers 1, 8th graders 1)!



Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

Accreditation Site Visit

Thank you to everyone who signed up to help with the meals for the Accreditation Site Visit Team. It looks like we still need a dinner entrée for Wednesday (Feb. 14), a dinner salad or soup and dessert for Thursday (Feb. 15), and a lunch soup or salad for Friday (Feb. 16). Please deliver meal items to the Willenborg door by the garage at these times: breakfast 7am, lunch 11:45am, dinner 4:45pm. I still need a couple of people who could set up each meal and clean up after each meal. Call me if you would like to help.

State of the School Meeting

The State of the School Meeting is February 15th at 7pm in the parish hall. One parent from each family is required to attend the meeting. The School Commission is planning an informative meeting including the review of the projected budget for next year. The raffle drawing will be held at 8pm.

Green and Gold Gala Oral Auction

Did you turn in your reservation for the Gala? It's going to be a fun event! Be sure to turn in your procured items (donations) as soon as possible. The auction is just over a month away.

Bit of Concern

Teachers have seen some improvements in respect and responsibility displayed by our students this week. We have also seen more leadership shown by some of the older students. Unfortunately, we had to speak to the junior high again this week with regards to classroom behavior when a substitute is here. Please join us in continuing to encourage our students to be the best they can be—to think, act, and love like Jesus.

St. Vincent de Paul, pray for us.

With my love and prayers,

Wanda



February 14

Ash Wednesday, Mass, 9am
Full Dress Uniforms

February 14-16

Accreditation Site Visit

February 15

State of the School Meeting, 7pm
One parent from each family must attend this meeting.

February 16

Noon Dismissal

February 19

No School—Presidents' Day

February 20

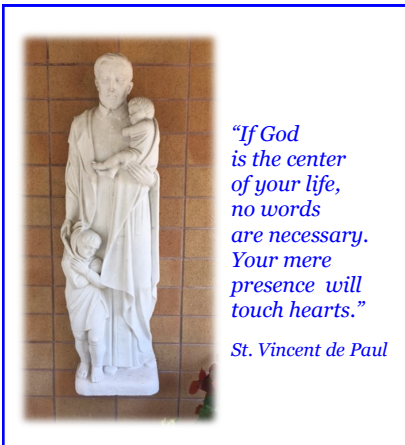
Rosary, 2:15

February 22

Mass, 9am
Full Dress Uniforms

February 23

Reconciliation, Grades 2-8, 10am



School Commission – Meeting Highlights

When: February 1, 2024, at 7:00pm

Where: St. Vincent DePaul school

Development Director Report

- Auction planning activities continue to include finalizing sponsorships and procurement items.
- Grandparents Tea was another successful turn out of attendance and written ‘Thank you’ cards were given to the grandparents donating to the Endowment.

Accreditation

- The On-site visit with the Accreditation Team is approaching. They will be visiting our school February 14th through 16th with planned activities to include classroom visits, attending mass, meeting with faculty and staff, meeting with school commission members and parent groups. They will also attend our State of the School meeting on February 15th.
- Friday, February 16th is noon dismissal for the kids. At 1:00pm, the Site Visit team will present their results.

5-year Plan

School Commission members will create two goals for each domain area.

- Domain 1: Mission and Catholic Identity
- Domain 2: Governance and Leadership
- Domain 3: Academic Excellence
- Domain 4: Operational Vitality

State of the School

- School Commission has finalized the budget, guest speakers, and agenda.

Principal Report

- Remarkable success on the planned activities during Catholic Schools week to include students visiting with Parish staff, and Select Choir singing during Sunday Mass.
- January 29, Monday – students participated in activities to beautify our school. Some created pinwheels and were placed in front of the school. Some planted seeds in cups and will plant them in the ground come Springtime.
- Visitors Lunch on January 31, Wednesday had a great turnout with many parents/ visitors that showed up to have lunch with their kids.
- Tailgate Party is planned for tomorrow, February 2, Friday.
- February 9, Friday – no school for kids. This is a scheduled Professional Development Day for staff.
- Valentines Day will be celebrated on February 13, Tuesday – Students can wear Valentine colors and there will be a school assembly.
- February 14, Wednesday is Ash Wednesday mass.
- February 23, Friday is Reconciliation for grades 2 through 8.
- February 27, Tuesday is a Skating Party planned by the Social Committee.

Next School Commission Meeting: March 7, 2024, at 7:00pm.

A full copy of the commission minutes is available upon request at the school office.