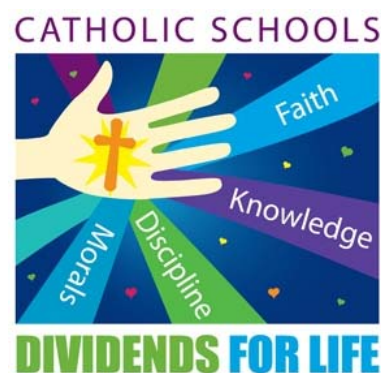


January 20, 2010

Dear Parents,

The theme for Catholic Schools Week 2010 is "Catholic Schools: Dividends for Life". Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration that focuses attention on the good work done by the nation's Catholic schools.



We at St. Michael School provide good things for our students and families—high expectations and daily experience of faith. In these challenging times, the theme also reminds us that the dividends of a Catholic school education—students prepared in faith, knowledge, morals and discipline—last a lifetime. There is no better way to invest in a child's future—or the future of our world.

Attached you will find the activities planned for the week of January 25-30. We have a week filled with activities that foster the idea behind Catholic Education.

On Saturday, January 30th and Sunday, January 31st, the students are encouraged to wear their uniform to Mass. Parishioners will be able to identify our students based on their uniform. For those students who choose to wear their uniform, at the end of Mass they will need to get a green ticket from a teacher or parent volunteer located at the back of the church. This ticket will allow the students a free dress down day on **Monday, February 8th**. It is the responsibility of the student to find the school representative to get the ticket. If you attend a church other than St. Michael, please send a note to school with your child stating that your child wore his/her uniform to Mass.

Please see next week's communication folder for a list of school representatives who will be at the Masses to hand out tickets.

Sincerely,

Catholic School Week Committee

Catholic Schools Week Activities 2010

Catholic Schools: Dividends for Life

Sunday, January 31st- Beginning of Catholic Schools Week

Banners will be on the pillars for all the weekend masses.

Students are encouraged to wear their uniform to mass to showcase they are students St. Michael School. At the end of mass, they will receive a ticket for wearing their uniform and can turn it in for a dress down day during the week. *Someone will be present at all St. Michael Masses.*

Monday, February 1st - Catholic Schools- Celebrating Our Priests

8:15 AM- Opening Mass

Parents eat with students- Grades 4 and 8 (Crispitos)

Tuesday, February 2nd- Celebrating Our Community

Buddy Activity - Students will make fleece blankets for the Homeless Families Shelter.

Parents eat with students- Grades 2 and 6 (Chicken Patty Sandwich)

Wednesday, February 3rd- Celebrating Our Parents

9:15 AM Spelling Bee

Parents eat with students- Grades 1 and 5 (Mexican Pizza)

1:15- Spirit Rally

1:30-2:30 Religion Game Show

Thursday, February 4th- Celebrating Our Students

Parents eat with students- Grades 3 and 7 (Corn Dog)

Academic Awards- 12:30 Grades 1-3 / 1:10 Grades 4-8

Friday, February 5th- Celebrating Our Teachers

8:30-9:00 Teacher Swap- teachers will swap with other teachers

Parents eat with students- Kindergarten (Sub Sandwiches)

1:15 PM 8th Grade vs. Teachers Volleyball Game