

CONFIRMATION NEWS!

Reporter: Lauren N.

Last Saturday, the eighth graders were confirmed by Bishop George Rassas in the New Church. In Confirmation, the gifts of the Holy Spirit are strengthened in the candidates and their Baptismal Promises are renewed. Bishop Rassas confirmed each candidate by making the sign off the cross on their forehead in oil. During his homily, Bishop Rassas stressed four points. He said we should dare to be different, always ask ourselves what Jesus would do, hold on to the rudder of faith, and try to make a difference. Much thanks to Bishop Rassas, and congratulations to all the eighth graders!



Primary

Reporters: Kelly P. and Brittany R.

Kindergarten is learning about Benjamin Franklin, shapes, and colors. While studying shapes, they are learning about the food pyramid. (Can you guess what shape that is!)

First grade is learning about ecosystems, sounds and sound instruments in science. In Social Studies, they are learning how to read maps and globes.

Second grade is writing descriptive paragraphs about Monet paintings (what a cool project!) They are also learning about landforms.

In third grade, students are practicing their multiplication tables...which, as we know, are the building blocks for higher math. Good luck, third grade!



The first graders have recently painted pumpkins for Halloween.

Intermediate

Reporter: Nikki R. and Korina K.

The Intermediate wing is a very busy place right now. In fifth grade they're learning about poems, and are even writing them in reading with Mrs. Placko! Mrs. Johnson's class just got done reading Tanya's Reunion and now they are writing their favorite recipes for their family reunions.

In religion with Mrs. Clark the 5th graders made Confirmation cards for the 8th graders. When the 8th graders came into school on Monday they were pleasantly surprised to see the beautiful cards hanging off of their lockers. A big thank you to the 5th graders for their prayers and thoughtfulness!

Please Pray For...

- Father Pat and his family, whose mother has recently passed away.
- Mrs. Trygar and her family, whose father has recently passed away.
- All the veterans who have died and are currently serving our country.
- And all those who need our prayers.

Junior High

Reporters: Nikki and Thea

The Junior High has been really busy lately! The 6th grade has been making menus in science, and just finished the Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe. In Social Studies they are learning about Ancient Egypt.

The 7th grade has been learning about the Revolutionary War in Social Studies. In English and Literature they have been reading short mystery stories, and science they have been putting their knowledge of bones to use by drawing skeletons.

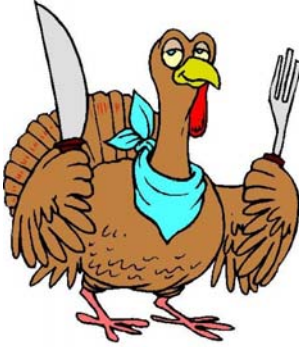
Finally, the 8th grade has been writing fantasy stories in English. They just finished reading the Hobbit and did pretty well on the test. The 8th grade made their Confirmation on November 3rd, and we are all praying for them. For more information on their Confirmation, see "Confirmation News."



The second graders have decorated the hallways with their Halloween witches!

Three Fun Facts About Thanksgiving

Reporter: Christina C. and Erica V.



There are a couple of facts about Thanksgiving that are unknown to many people. Here are three that we found...

#1: The pilgrims weren't the first ones to celebrate Thanksgiving; the Texans were! It all started in little San Elizario in 1558. The pilgrims didn't settle until 23 years later!!!

#2 The pilgrims did not eat corn on the cob, apples, pears, or even cranberries. They did not even know what they were. Their dinner consisted of turkey and other vegetables.

#3 The pilgrims did not wear the funny buckle shoes or the steeple hats and they didn't wear black all the time either. They had many other colors of clothing., most of which were very bright.

Hornet Headlines: St. Pat's Sports

Reporter: Jack N.



The 6th grade boy's basketball team won 3 home games in the past 2 weeks. They also played a tournament at St. Ann's, and lost all 3 games. However, they were in it till the last buzzer. "We're really good and we could go a long way," says Ryan Q., 6S.

The 7th grade boy's basketball team also played 3 home games but lost 1 of them, going 2-1. "We're really good this year. We beat Transfiguration," says Timmy S., 7O. "We can go a long way this year." Cheerleaders also had something to say. Theresa, 7O says, "We're the bomb and we love boosting the school spirit!" "The hornets will go all the way and I'm the biggest fan," says Billy K.

The 8th grade boy's basketball team played 2 home games and won both of them. Ryan F. says, "Right now we are the defending conference tournament champions. This year we want to have an undefeated season, be conference champions, and conference tournament champions." Alex W., 8O, says, "Hornets are doing really good, and we're being really loud." "We're dedicated to making this last year of basketball the best it can be," said Celia D., 8O.

World News

Reporter: Nikki R.

In Bangalore, India there is a 2 year old girl who was born with four arms and four legs. This human spider is really one girl who is connected to another child that never really developed. She recently underwent a 40 hour surgery to remove the extra limbs. The people in her village thought that she was the Hindu goddess Lakshmi and she was even named after her. The villagers asked to be blessed by her, but some other people offered money to have her put in a circus. Her parents then decided to have her get the surgery needed to remove the extra limbs. Since they make about \$1.00 a day, a foundation was set up to help pay for the 40 hour surgery, and the specialists in pediatrics, neurosurgery, orthopedics, and plastic surgery. Without this surgery the girl would have probably only lived to about adolescence and is the first person in India to go through a surgery like this. Thankfully the girl is doing fine. All I have to say is WOW!



California Wild Fires

Reporter: Thea P.

As many of you know there have been over fifteen wildfires in the San Diego, California area. Many people all over the world are trying to help, but one organization is really standing out.

The Red Cross has helped prepare communities for emergencies and even helps them after all the destruction is done. Some retired doctors even joined the Red Cross and got their license just to give shots to people that don't have homes anymore. Schools all over the country are sending any useful items to San Diego and making cards for all the victims of these wildfires. Over 10,000 people were saved by firefighters, policemen, and volunteers, but unfortunately some didn't make it.

By now you are probably asking yourself how these fires started. Well you know how your parents always tell you not to play with matches? One little boy got angry at his parents, locked himself in his room, and threw matches out the window which eventually started a fire. Now you know what can happen if you don't listen to your parents. Some people say its karma or bad luck, but I just think that everything happens for a reason. People learned and saw what one country will do for one small area. Please keep all the victims and victim's families in your prayers!



Dear Abby...

Dear Abby,

My friend has been bragging about her new designer item all week. She tells everyone how amazing it is and it is *really* starting to annoy me. But yesterday I found out that the item can be bought almost everywhere and is not that expensive at all. So what's so great about it? Should I tell her to keep her mouth shut or just ignore it? Should I tell everyone what it really is?

I need some help here,

Fancy Fakes

Fancy Fakes,

Well this is a problem that many teens face. You don't want to be the snobby, jealous girl who has to tell everyone every piece of gossip she hears. You don't want to be the Gossip Girl of the school! So be a good Christian and either confront her alone and express your feelings in a nice way, or just ignore it and hope she stops. Good Luck!

Sincerely,

Abby

Thanksgiving Word Scramble

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“The Puzzler” by Philip N.

Thanksgiving Word Search



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