

HOME & SCHOOL

Monthly Newsletter

Important Dates

February

- 6th – Saving Our Sons Book Study
- 6th – Confirmation Meeting
- 12th – Jamba Juice Distribution
- 14th – Valentine's Parties K-4
- 15th – No School – Teacher Inservice
- 18th – No School – President's Day
- 19th – Jamba Juice Distribution
- 19th – Mod Market Dine Out Event 5-8pm
- 20th – Confirmation Meeting
- 22nd – Spirit Wear Day
- 22nd – Alive Middle School Youth Ministry
- 23rd – First Reconciliation
- 24th – Catholic Families night with the Denver Nuggets
- 26th – Jamba Juice Distribution
- 27th – Teachers Luncheon Hosted by 3rd Grade
- 27th – 7th Grade Musical

March

- 1st – Noon Dismissal
- 3rd – Family Sundays at SVdP
- 4th – End of 2nd Trimester
- 6th – Ash Wednesday
- 6th – All School Mass
- 8th – Deadline to order yearbooks
- 8th – Teacher Inservice – No School
- 14th – Faith Rally
- 15th – Alive Middle School Youth Ministry
- 20th – Teachers Luncheon Hosted by 2nd Grade
- 20th – Confirmation Meeting * Sponsor form due
- 22nd – Spirit Wear Day
- 25th – 29th – Spring Break

Catholic Schools Week

Thank you to all of the faculty, parents, volunteers and students for making this year's Catholic Schools Week such a success!

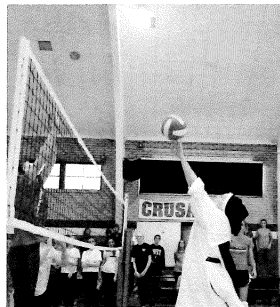


Students enjoy the Coin Crusades!



Home & School Coffee Cart for Teacher Appreciation.

Sister Maria Sophia helps lead the teachers to victory in a tie breaking game during the annual student-teacher volleyball match.



Ms. Yoder displays her tropical lei with flowers completed by each student with notes of appreciation. Thank you to Ms. Edmonds for orchestrating this thoughtful gift to each teacher!

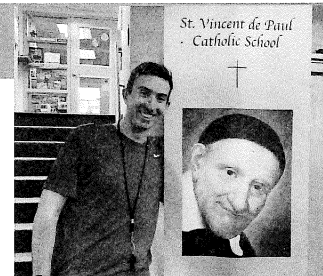
Spelling Bee at SVdP

Can you spell chimichanga, vulcanize, or intaglio correctly on the first try without using your phone or computer? We had to double check our spelling before going to print, but these were some of the favorite words our Spelling Bee participants learned this year with our 5th grade teacher Ms. DeLisle. 4th and 5th graders have the exciting opportunity to participate in the Catholic Schools League (CSAL) Spelling Bee. Starting in November, Spelling Bee students met once a week after school to do various spelling activities and games. The first Spelling Bee was held on January 12th at Good Shepherd, where students first took written tests. Qualifiers from the written test then moved onto oral tests, and could finally qualify for the Advanced Spelling Bee competition that was held on February 2nd. Although no students from SVdP qualified for the Advanced Spelling Bee, it was unanimous that Ms. DeLisle made spelling fun and the students enjoyed making new friends outside of class.

If you are looking to add an activity to your schedule, check out the features we will be doing over the next couple of months on some of the extracurricular activities that SVdP has to offer.

Wondering when your student's class will participate in school Mass on Thursdays? Check the Events & Volunteer Calendar for the schedule!

Crusader Corner- Meet Mr. Boyle



Growing up in Seattle, Chris Boyle always loved school. From the social aspect, to the teachers, to his athletic teams, and even to the homework, school just “clicked” with Mr. Boyle. “School didn’t click for me because I was a genius or an angel. School clicked because I was surrounded by teachers, coaches, and administrators who cared about my development as a young person. They afforded me the opportunity to grow and learn in a safe place,” he explains. If he was having a hard time or a bad day at school, he knew he could lean on people who cared about him and his journey. His experience at school had a large impact on Mr. Boyle, and inspired him to pursue a career where he could make an impact on students as well. “I got into this profession so that I could do the same thing for my students. To show them they have a teacher who has their back, believes they can be successful in any facet of their life and is going support and push them to be the best versions of themselves everyday.”

Mr. Boyle attended Gonzaga University, earning an undergraduate degree in mathematics, as well as Masters of Initial Teaching in Secondary Mathematics. He recalls always loving numbers even as a child when he would read the Sports and Weather sections off the Seattle Times, just to “scan the raw numbers data” in the standings, statistics and temperatures. Sports played a large part of his childhood too- he remembers using any free minute he had to play basketball in his backyard, sometimes so late his neighbors would phone his parents to ask if he could stop! “Athletics always spoke to me because I found them to be a fairly linear endeavor; the harder I worked, the better results were yielded,” he explains. His efforts certainly paid off, leading Mr. Boyle to run cross country at Gonzaga where he earned 1st Team XC All-West Coast Conference honors on two occasions and is the former school record holder at 5000 meters outdoors.

After graduation, Mr. Boyle taught and coached middle and high school students in the Archdiocese of Seattle and then in Portland, Oregon. When he was offered the opportunity to coach at Regis University in the Cross Country and Track program, Mr. Boyle moved to Colorado to coach and begin a Masters in Educational Leadership. After one year of coaching, he realized he missed the classroom and came back to teaching, and luckily to Saint Vincent de Paul.

Now in his first year at SVdP, Mr. Boyle teaches 7th grade pre-algebra, as well as Physical Education for grades 3rd- 8th. The energy and excitement he brings to the classroom is contagious and his favorite part of teaching is still connecting with his students. “I love telling students they are awesome and that I think the weird-goofy things they do are awesome!”

In his spare time, Mr. Boyle is working to complete his masters this Spring and still enjoys running as much as he can- often 3-5 miles before school and 6-8 miles in the afternoons. He is also looking forward to traveling to Ireland, where his father is from, this summer to visit family and likely take some long, beautiful runs!

Faith & Family- Daily Prayers

Fundraising

Even for parents that grew up Catholic or in Catholic schools, the prayers said during the day may be unknown or different versions. Here we have listed the prayers so everyone can feel welcomed to join the students while they are praying during announcements and at lunch.

Morning Announcements

Morning Offering

God, Our Father, I offer You my day, I offer You my prayers, thoughts, words, actions, joys and sufferings in union with the Heart of Jesus, Who continues to offer Himself in the Eucharist for the salvation of the world. May the Holy Spirit, Who guided Jesus, be my guide and my strength today so that I may witness to your love. With Mary, the mother of our Lord and the Church, I pray for the intentions recommended by our Holy Father this month. Amen.

Prayer after lunch in cafeteria

We give you thanks almighty God, for these and all the benefits which we have received from your bounty through Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Afternoon Announcements

The Act of Contrition

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and in failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend with your help to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy. Amen

Prayer to the Guardian Angel

Angel of God, my guardian dear,
To whom God's love commits me here
Ever this day be at my side
To light and guard
To rule and guide, Amen.

Saint Vincent de Paul, prayer for us.

All you holy angels and saints in heaven, pray for us

In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, Amen.

Don't miss these upcoming fundraising events this month!

February 19, 5 - 8 pm, Mod Market Dine-in Event

Join us at the Glendale Modern Market for dinner on the 19th! Mention the SVdP fundraiser and 50% of proceeds will be donated to the school.

SVdP Spirit Shop: Ordering open until February 22nd. To order, visit <http://shop.bornfit.com/categories/merchandising-partners/st-vincent-de-paul.html>.

Trivia Winners!

Catholic School Week Trivia Winner

Thank you to everyone who submitted answers to our CSW trivia listed on the Events & Volunteer Calendar. We loved receiving all of the answers from our SVdP families. Congratulations to our winner, Julie Klennert. Julie took home a Yeti themed gift basket.