



Prairie Catholic Weekly Newsletter April 14, 2011

Messages from the Principal:

The seventh virtue from the program "Understanding and Living the Virtues" is Temperance. "Temperance is the moral virtue that moderates the attraction of pleasures and provides balance in the use of created goods. It keeps desires within the limits of what is honorable." (CCC, 1809) At times people become addicted to essentially good things as food, possessions, sports, drink, recognition, money, power and success seeking. One must be careful not to overindulge because it puts the gift over the Giver. During these last couple of weeks of Lent please practice self-control.

News Items:

- Just a reminder, tonight Prairie Catholic will host the WXOW Weather Academy from St. Gabriel's school cafeteria. The meteorologists will host an open house for the general public from 4:30-6:30pm and they will broadcast their 5:00pm and 6:00pm weather updates live from St. Gabriel's.
- Parents, thank you for sending your children to Prairie Catholic. We appreciate your early registration. If you have not returned your registration form, please do so as soon as possible as the decisions we make regarding staffing are tied to student populations.
- The Student Council raised over \$200 through a bake sale for the Second Freedom Flight scheduled for May 14th. The students also raised over \$280 through a "Penny Conflict" last month. Between the two fundraisers and a pair of kind donations, the students will donate \$500. Thank you Student Council for organizing events to help this great cause.
- Representatives from the Freedom Flight will be at St. John's on April 15th to talk to students and receive the proceeds from the Student Council bake sale and penny conflict.
- Parents are still encouraged to pick up Pre-Kindergarten Registration Packets at St. Gabriel's during school hours and return them as soon as possible.
- Make time to join our Prairie Catholic students for the Stations of the Cross. The students will be participating at St. Gabriel's following Mass on Friday mornings. The students will be participating at St. John's on Fridays afternoons at 2:55. The St. John's students will be dismissing from church on these Fridays.
- Prairie Catholic recognized its Honor Roll and High Honor Roll today at the 8:15am Mass at St. John's. We acknowledged 46 students for their hard work last quarter.
- Last week we sold \$2400 worth of National Scrip and \$624 worth of local Scrip. We would like to thank everyone who supported our Scrip program this week. Did you know that your purchase of Scrip helps us keep our tuition subsidies to a minimum? This is a great benefit to all of us, whether or not we have children in our schools. As a new promotion, beginning this week we will have a scrip give away bonus. Everyone interested may sign up at the Scrip tables, or by stopping at one of our parish or school offices. We will draw a name on Friday afternoon, and the winner will receive \$10.00 scrip of your choice. The winner must have purchased some Scrip that week. If the person drawn has not purchased Scrip in the last week, the money will roll over to the following week.

- Kwik Trip stores will now reimburse Prairie Catholic 10% of total scrip sales! Please show your appreciation and purchase Kwik Trip scrip.
- Our schedule will once again diverge from the public school schedule. Prairie Catholic will have April 22nd and 25th off around Easter. We will have school on April 26th, 27th, 28th, and 29th. **There will be no bus service the week of April 26th-29th. Parents are responsible for getting students to and from school.**
- The Fennimore High School Confirmation class will be presenting the “Living Stations” on April 17, at 7:45 P.M. (Palm Sunday) in St. Mary’s Church. Everyone is welcome. Middle School students will receive extra credit points for attending this performance.
- Pre-Kindergarten will have its last day of school on May 26th. It will be a regular scheduled day with groups split into AM and PM.
- The Saint Scramble Golf Outing will be held on May 7th at the Prairie du Chien Country Club. Money raised will go towards technology improvements. Registration at 8:00am and Shotgun start at 9:00am. There will be door prizes, hole-in-one prizes and flag events.
- Summer School Registration forms were sent home in last week’s envelope. Please review your child’s academic progress and discuss the possibility with your teacher.
- Young Author’s Night will be held tonight from 6:30-7:30pm at Bluffview.

Prayer: *Lord God, give us the eyes of faith to see your truth in the words of scripture, your love in the sacraments of the church, and your joy in the example of the saints. We ask this through Christ our Lord.*

Mark Your Calendars

April 14th – WXOW Weather Academy, St. Gabe’s, 4:30pm
 April 15th – 7th Grade Washington DC Fundraiser – Fish Fry
 April 21st – Prairie Catholic will celebrate Earth Day
 April 22nd – No School
 April 25th – No School
 April 26th-29th – Prairie Catholic will have classes.
 April 27th – 8th Grade Spring pictures@ St. John’s 9:00am
 May 1st – 8th Grade Washington DC Trip

Important Dates for this Spring

May 1st – 7th – 8th Grade - Washington DC Trip
 May 7th – Saint Scramble Golf Outing
 May 8th – First Communion – St. Gabriel’s – 10:00am
 May 22nd – 8th Grade Graduation – Mass at 11:00am and Graduation Ceremony at 1:00pm
 May 25th – 8th Grade Last Day of School
 May 26th – Pre-K Last Day of School
 May 27th – Last Day of School for Grades K – 7

