

It's Catholic Schools Week and just like tradition, it appears that Mother Nature will have something to say about this. Until that actually happens however, we plan on celebrating the many things that make our school so unique and special. We kicked off our week-long celebration with a special youth recognition Mass on Sunday followed by a fantastic pancake and sausage breakfast hosted by our local Knights of Columbus and a bake sale sponsored by the CLC. We sincerely thank all of the K of C and CLC members who helped organize this event as well as those who purchased a meal or baked goods. We also want to say thank you to the community members who checked us out during our Open House. Each day this week we will be recognizing a special part of our mission and despite the looming predicted snowfall, we have scheduled some very fun and meaningful events to celebrate our "little slice of heaven". Our schedule for the week has been posted on the school website so please refer to it if you have any questions. There are so many things to be thankful for and to celebrate and we want to include all of you in our celebration. Thanks again for choosing to be a part of our family and we hope to see you this week as we celebrate Catholic Schools!

In Case You Missed It...

- We are still in need of volunteers for lunch and recess. It can be moms, dads, sisters, uncles, grandmas, we accept them all. Any way you can help out goes a long way and the kids love seeing our volunteers. We are extremely grateful for all of the help we get. Please contact the school office if you are interested in helping during lunch and/or recess.
- The January church bulletin board was decorated by the school students to celebrate Catholic Schools Week. Be sure to check it out!
- Our annual St. Peter School Auction event will take place on Saturday, March 19th in the St. Peter School gymnasium. We are also still looking for help with this event (food and drink committee, raffle ticket sales, and music and video committee) so if you are willing to help, please contact the school office or Paul Wagner at WMS. This is our school's largest fundraising event so please help spread the word or volunteer to help. Please see the attached flyer for more information.
- ATTENTION: Kindergarten registration for the 2022-2023 school year is underway. In order to be eligible, a child must be five years old by August 1st. Please remember that you **DO NOT** need to be Catholic to join our family. If you or someone you know is interested in joining our St. Peter School family, please call our office to request information or share on Facebook and other social media outlets.
- PK registration is also open for the 2022-2023 school year. Children who will be four years old by August 1st are eligible to register. Classes are Monday-Friday from 8:00-11:00 AM with an extended day option available for families who need it. Please call the school office at 419-294-1395 for more information. Please remember that you **DO NOT** have to be Catholic to join our St. Peter School Family.
- As part of our Catholic Schools Week celebration this week, we will be honoring our St. Peter School alums. If you are an alumnus or if you know others who are, we would love to hear from you. We are looking for graduation year (or years attended), occupation, and some words of wisdom for our current and future St. Peter School students. Please share your stories with us. Thanks in advance for your participation.

- Just a reminder that milk is included with the federal lunch provided by the school. If your child is packing a lunch and needs milk, the cost is \$.50. You may also purchase a milk ticket with five punches for \$2.50. Thank you.

Just Thought You Should Know...

- The 1st grade will be leading our liturgy service this Wednesday at 8:15. There are no longer any seating restrictions for these services so parents are welcome and encouraged to attend. These services will also be live streamed on our school Facebook page for those who are unable to attend.
- We are still selling raffle tickets for a chance to win a beautiful king size quilt handcrafted by Pat Smith. Tickets are \$1.00 a piece, 6 for \$5.00, or 13 for \$10.00. We are asking each family to sell 13 tickets and return them to the school so they can be entered into the drawing which will take place at our St. Peter School Benefit Auction on March 19th. Please contact the office with any questions you might have.
- The 2022 EdChoice Expansion Scholarship application window is now open for any family that is interested in tuition assistance. The EdChoice Expansion Scholarship provides vouchers for students with household income levels at 250% or below the Federal Poverty Guidelines. The EdChoice Expansion Scholarship amount is typically around \$4650 per student in grades K – 8. For more information about the EdChoice Scholarship Expansion Program please visit education.ohio.gov/edchoice. We encourage any family who might qualify for this scholarship to apply. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.
- We are excited to introduce a new educational program called Edmentum that we will be implementing this semester. Edmentum is an individualized learning program that allows students to accelerate or supplement their learning paths based on the strengths and areas of improvement identified through their MAP scores. We are excited about this supplemental learning tool that will continue to help us enhance our curriculum and educational resources. If you have any questions concerning this program, please let us know.
- The application window for the Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund is now open for any family wishing to apply for tuition assistance. We strongly encourage any family who is interested in tuition assistance, to please apply. Please visit the website <https://nosf.org/> or contact the school office for more information.
- We are still collecting new or gently used books for our revamped library selection so if you have any books that you would like to donate, we will find a good home for them. Our library revamp is part of our Accelerated Reading program that will be coming soon.
- Our next For the Love of Pete drawing will take place on February 1st. There are still tickets available to get entered into next month's drawing. Please contact the school if you would like to purchase a ticket. Ticket price is \$100. Thanks so much to all who have participated so far.
- Happy Birthday this week to: Raylan P. (1) and Sam S. (3)
- Good luck to our CYO basketball teams this weekend. The 3rd/4th grade girls host Shelby at 10:00; the 4th grade boys are at Galion at 10:00; the 3rd grade boys are at Bellevue at 9:30; and the 5th/6th grade boys host Shelby at 11:10.

Quote of the Week: "If we did all the things we are capable of, we would literally astound ourselves." ~ Thomas A. Edison