

Illuminating Minds, Cultivating Faith

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DMCS Newsletter April 12, 2019

Dear Parents-

Happy Snow! This April surprise certainly caught many unaware and I can't say I am enjoying it. However, the beauty of the snow on the trees is always something to behold. It helps me remember that God is an artist and nature is a masterpiece. His brush strokes are seen everywhere-especially in the faces of your children. They are all beautifully and wonderfully made, just like each individual snowflake. So, as I sit here tonight (Wednesday) wondering what tomorrow will bring, I am saying a prayer of thanksgiving that you have chosen to share them all with me. Every one of my days is brightened by the interaction I have with these beautiful children, and I consider myself greatly blessed.

The children who attended the 10:00 AM Mass on Sunday and led the congregation in song did a fantastic job! I was so proud of them all. These moments are important ones as we are able to show our appreciation for the support given to us by the parish and demonstrate to the parishioners the fruit of their support. I know it isn't easy, but I really appreciate those of you who made the time to attend.

Thank you to all of you who have committed to another year with us. We are busy planning and preparing for next year. With this comes revision of the budget based on projected numbers. The closer I can get to actual numbers, the better my planning is. Please contact us if you have any questions. We are happy to help.

A huge thank you to all of you who have taken the time to fill out the survey on my performance. It can be accessed here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HV3D2HM Your feedback will help me continue to improve and grow and I take this very seriously.

Next week is Holy Week. We will pray the Stations of the Cross together on Monday morning at 8:15 at IC Church. It is the teachers' turn to lead. Mass on Wednesday at 8:30 AM will be PreK-12 and the chaplet will be sung prior to Mass. Please see this week's attachments for information on Holy Week at Divine Mercy Catholic Church. I encourage you to fully participate in this Holy Season.

We are planning for Family Fun Night coming up on May 3rd. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us. There are many fun activities and it is a great time to socialize with other school families. Watch for more information as we get closer.

Tomorrow is a Care and Share Dress Down Day. Students may dress down for a donation to charity of at least \$1.00.

Stay safe, dry, and warm this weekend!

God Bless You Gina Ashley

"The purpose of my instruction is that all believers would be filled with love that comes from a pure heart, a clear conscience, and genuine faith."

1 Timothy 1:5



Foster Spiritual Growth with KoAm

Welcome a Korean exchange student into your home for the new academic year! God has used KoAm to bring Jesus Christ to many students, while they stayed with our Christian families and attended the Christian Schools. Won't you partner with KoAm as a host family to share Christ's love with a young Korean ambassador? Our host families were simply being themselves - living for Christ and sharing God's love.

To apply to be a KoAm host family, please contact KoAm Coordinator Haewon Park at 651-300-2380 or Nicole Riebe at 651-468-8691 and/or by email at administrator@koameduall.org.



STATIONS of the CROSS

Artwork by Mrs. Battles & Ms. Woods 5th Grade Classes































Dates to Remember

- Apr. 14 Palm Sunday
- Apr. 17 8:30 Mass PreK-12
- Apr. 18 Maundy Thursday
- Apr. 19 Good Friday No School
- Apr. 20 Holy Saturday
- Apr. 21 EASTER SUNDAY †
- Apr. 22 Easter Monday No School
- Apr. 24 8:30 Mass Gr. 2 Host
- Apr. 25 Gr. 5 to River Bend Nature Center
- Apr. 26 Reward Dress Down Day

Attached/Included in Folder

- Seize the Week (*attached*)
- ❖ Joint School Calendar 2019-2020 (attached)
- Grandparent's Day (attached)
- DMCS Student Placement Request Protocol (attached)
- Sumer Extravaganza (included)
- Just for Kicks (included)

