

St. Michael Swords News

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Catholic Schools Week Begins!

Our St. Michael Catholic School celebration of Catholic Schools Week begins this Saturday, January 30th. We have several activities planned for each day.

Saturday, January 30th

We begin the week with mass at 5:30 at St. Michael Church. This is a celebration for our St. Michael School Family. **Students who signed up to participate need to arrive by 5:15 to meet Ms. Roeder or one of the teachers at the front doors of the church. Students should come in their mass uniforms. Even if you haven't signed up to participate, students should be in mass uniforms. For our safety and the safety of the members of the congregation, we will follow our school protocols for mask wearing. If your child is required to wear a mask in school, they should wear a mask at the mass.**

Family projects will be on display in the church. The mass will also be live streamed at www.facebook.com/stmichaelcatholicchurchweimar.

Our Open House this year will be a virtual event. You will be sent a link for this, and you can find it on our school website and Facebook page.

Sunday, January 31st

Our annual CSW Chicken Strip Dinner Drive-thru begins at 10:30. There are still a few spots needing to be filled. Sixth and seventh grade students may use this time towards their required service hours. Eighth graders are already signed up to help in the drive-thru line. Go to Sign-Up Genius to sign up your sixth or seventh grader. Please be sure that your child can handle whatever the job might be.

Monday, February 1st

Students have been busy working on posters celebrating SMCS and our CSW theme: Faith. Excellence. Service. These will be on display at several businesses around town. If you have a special business in mind, please let us know. We will also be taking cookies to several civic and religious organizations that support our school. Students are encouraged to dress as an Emergency Worker: firefighter, police officer, paramedic, nurse, doctor, etc.

Each year during Catholic Schools Week we participate in a project that benefits our larger community outside of Weimar. This year's project is for CASA for Kids of South Central Texas. This organization works with children who are removed from their homes and in foster care. It is located in Brenham, but serves the counties of Austin, Colorado, Waller, and Washington.

Suggested items to donate include: books, board games, and card games (for all ages), diapers (all sizes), wipes, socks (all sizes), underwear (all sizes), or gift cards for activities for the children to go to with their advocate (McDonald's, Wal-Mart, etc.) Items will be collected throughout the week.

Tuesday, February 2nd

Our eighth grade students are busy working on a skit "Jonah and the Whale" that will be recorded and sent to the other grades. Teachers are researching St. Michael Schools in other states to begin a pen pal program or to have a Google Meet with. Classes will take turns watching a movie "on the big screen" with snacks for their enjoyment. Students may also bring a toy or game to play with their classmates. It's free dress day for everyone! Clothing should be appropriate for school.

Wednesday, February 3rd

A patriotic rosary for our nation will be held at 9:00 a.m. This rosary will include music by Mrs. Virginia Olsovsky and a performance by our school band. At 1:30, students will hear short talks from community and diocesan leaders about leadership and what makes a good leader. Students are encouraged to wear red, white, and blue to celebrate our nation.



Thursday, February 4th

Students will write letters of appreciation to the priests and sisters who served at SMCS in the past. Speakers living the vocations as a priest, seminarian, married couple, and a single person will talk to the students about how they live out their faith through their vocation. These talks will begin at 10:00. Students are encouraged to dress as their favorite modern invention. Is it a cell phone? Computer? Smart TV? Lightbulb? Airplane? Lego? X-rays? The color mauve?

Friday, February 5th

We will end CSW with mass at 8:00 a.m. The liturgy will be presented by the seventh graders. Students will participate in an obstacle course that morning. Will the teachers participate? The third graders will “erupt” their volcanoes at 11:30. **Early dismissal that day!** Teachers will be honored with a special luncheon sponsored by the St. Michael H.S.A.

Be sure to listen to radio stations KULM and KVLG next week. Some of our eighth graders will be featured in public service announcements promoting SMCS and Catholic Schools Week.

Altar Servers

Altar Servers this weekend are:
Saturday @ 5:30 - Hannah Hillje, Dawson Brandt, and Cullen Marek

Sunday @ 7:30 – Tucker Janak and Hudson Rowland

Bishop Cahill Visits

Everyone is invited to join us on Friday, February 12th for mass with Bishop Brendan Cahill as the main celebrant. Following the mass, Bishop Brendan will visit with the students

***Thank you to Mary Lou Kristynik and Samantha Anders for donating wipes to the school.
We appreciate your help!***

Going home this week are the February calendar and menu, and the Parents as Teachers flyer. If you did not receive these, please let us know.

Sports News

Our SMCS basketball teams will play St. Ludmila in Shiner on Monday, February 1st at 5:30. The final game of the season will be on Wednesday, February 3rd in Victoria against Nazareth Academy at 5:00.

Track practice begins on Monday, February 8th. Our SMCS track meet is scheduled for Saturday, March 6th.

Parents as Teachers

The Schulenburg/Weimar Area *Parents as Teachers* organization has had to cancel their annual “Weekend in the Country” event this year. Instead, they are having an online auction. You can find a list of auction items on our school website and Facebook pages, or go to www.charityacution.bid/PAT2021. The event is taking place February 3rd – 6th.

Dessert Roll Sale

Also sent home previously were order forms for the “Daria Emmel” Dessert Roll spring fundraiser. Our goal this year is to sell 1,000 rolls! This is an optional fund-raiser, but sales do count towards your spring selling points. These forms are due today, January 28th.

Turtle Wing Toast

Turtle Wing Foundation will host Grant Manier at Sengelmann Hall in Schulenburg on Thursday, January 28th. Grant creates and teaches Eco-Art, combining autism and art. He creates extraordinary collages using thousands of recycled calendars, magazines, posters, puzzles, and more. Grant is also the illustrator of his new children’s book series, “Grant the Jigsaw Giraffe and Friends.” Each story is about a specific special needs topic or diagnosed challenge: childhood cancer, dyslexia, and autism. He will share his personal journey to being a full-time artist and motivational speaker. All Turtle Wing families, supporters, donors, volunteers or those who want to learn more about the work of the foundation are invited to attend. No ticket is required. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and the program begins at 7:00 p.m.

Learn more about the Turtle Wing Foundation, visit their website at www.turtlewingfoundation.org or visit their Facebook page.