



Coming Up:

- Feb. 7th-Spirit Day- Favorite Super Bowl team shirt & jeans
- Feb. 11th- Scholar's Bowl Finals @St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
- Feb. 13th- Parent/Teach Conferences 10:30-7pm
- Feb. 14th- In-service: No school for students



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CRUSADERS

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Crusader Connection Bullets

Catholic Schools Week: Catholic Schools Week was a HUGE success celebrating our beautiful faith. Many thanks goes out to all who helped in making the week fantastic for our students and staff. A special thanks to Amanda Casper and Katie Gorges and the entire CSW committee for all of your time and talent. The work did not go unnoticed!!

Penny War Totals: Penny Wars is always very competitive, and this year was no exception. Thank you, kids and parents, for your incredible giving to support our fellow Drexel schools. This year, our Penny Wars collection amounted to \$1,723.81...unbelievable! Congrats to the 8th grade class on their Penny War pounding!

- 1st place: 8th grade
- 2nd place: 4th grade
- 3rd place: Kindergarten
- 4th place: 2nd grade
- 5th place: 6th grade
- 6th place: 5th grade
- 7th place: 1st grade
- 8th place: 7th grade
- 9th place: 3rd grade

Medallion Hunt: The students were given a clue each day during CSW and then hunted each day for the medallions. A huge thank you to Dr. John May for providing the medallions and creating the clues for the students. It was fun watching the students get excited about the hunt each day.



K-2 Winner



3-5 Winner



6-8 Winner



March for Life: Mrs. Kremer, Fr. Bernie, Mrs. Charles, along with a few parents, took the 8th graders to Topeka to the March for Life Rally. It was a great day to witness so many of our youth giving a voice to the voiceless!



German Dinner Work Shifts: The German Dinner is just a few weeks away and the committee has been working hard to make it another fantastic fundraiser for our school! Pulling off the sit down dinner, drive thru, and to-go orders is a massive undertaking and requires the help of everyone! Many parents and parishioners have committed to not only setting up for the event on Friday, but also prepping all day on Saturday, and working all day on Sunday...we are certainly blessed with such dedicated parents and supporters of our school! **Given that every K-8 student benefits from the fundraiser, as a reminder, *all* K-8 parents- both mom and dad- in addition to our middle school students and our staff, are expected to work at least one 2.75 hour shift on Sunday, March 2nd. Parents should use this link to sign up both themselves and their middle school student(s). If you are unable to work on Sunday, March 2nd, Fr. Bernie has asked that you please reach out to him and make him aware of your family's circumstance.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A45ABAC2FABFBCE9-54472249-german>

Pies for German Dinner: Just a reminder that a minimum of three pies per family are required for the German Dinner. Pies can be delivered and stored an hour prior to the 4:00pm Mass on Saturday, March 1st or following the Sunday Mass on March 2nd until the start of the dinner at 11:00am. Pies can also be delivered on Sunday, March 2nd to the concession stand located by the northwest gym doors at any time throughout the dinner but are preferred prior to 11:00am. Thank you!!

Basket Raffle Tickets: Keep selling those tickets! If you are needing more, please the school office. All tickets and money are due back to the school office by Friday, February 28th.

Religion Bowl: Congratulations to our 7th and 8th grade Religion Bowl Teams. They competed last Tuesday, Jan. 28th at St. Jude. Our 7th grade team took 2nd and our 8th grade team took 1st. Congratulations!!

Reminder! No school on Feb. 13th and Feb. 14th: Thursday, Feb. 13th is our Spring Parent/Teacher Conference Day. Friday, Feb. 14th is a teacher in-service day.

St. Katharine Drexel Walk in Sister's Shoes Campaign (WISS): Just a reminder that the 2 for \$2 Tuesdays will run through March 1st. Students may wear jeans and a St. Joe spirit shirt to school for a \$1 donation to the St. Katharine Drexel Fund, or they may donate \$2 to be a little cozier in their sweat pants and St. Joe shirts!

Dental Checks: February is National Dental Health Month! Dr. Lashley will be providing visual dental checks on Wednesday, March 5th. If you provided permission for health and dental checks during final enrollment last July, your child will be included in the dental screening.

2025-2026 Kindergartners: Please save the date for the Dial 4 Kindergarten Screening on Friday, March 28th... more information to come!

Super Bowl Spirit Day! Tomorrow, February 7th, our spirit day will be a "Favorite Super Bowl Team" spirit day. Students may wear either Chiefs or Eagles shirt and jeans, or their St. Joe spirit shirts and jeans.

Way to go Crusaders! 7th grade took 2nd place and 8th grade earned 1st place at Religion Bowl last week!



During Catholic Schools Week we had Adoration in the Eck Family Field House!





We had several dress days to celebrate CSW. The pics to the left/right: God's Creation. The bottom pic shows that our teachers got into the Decades Day!



We have so many talented students who participated in our Talent show during CSW!!