



THE Cardinal's Corner



Saint Peter's
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Building a Foundation for Life SCHOOL NEWSLETTER • JANUARY 2019

Dear Saint Peter's Catholic School Families,

Happy New Year a tad belatedly; I hope that you all had a happy and holy Christmas break, (seems like a very long time ago). Your children are moving forward in this new year of 2019, learning and growing in body, mind, and spirit.

Many wonderful things are happening here at Saint Peter's Catholic School, particularly our Catholic Schools Week celebration which begins this Sunday, January 27th and ends on February 2nd. The theme this year is: **Catholic Schools; Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.** This theme affirms our Mission Statement here at Saint Peter's:

"The mission of St Peter's Catholic School is to prepare students to excel in life by achieving success in a lived and taught Catholic tradition of excellence. Consistent with our motto 'Saints and Scholars', we aim to produce leaders in academics and servants in faith."

Please bring your friends and family members to our School Open House on Sunday, January 27th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Join us for coffee and donuts, while we showcase our beautiful school with all the wonderful things our students and teachers are doing.

During Catholic Schools Week, we have many exciting activities planned to celebrate what our children are accomplishing, while building our school community, and educating future citizens and church leaders.

Re-enrollment will begin next week as well, more information will be soon following.

We all are so grateful your support, and the sacrifices that you are making, to send your precious children to Saint Peter's. Be assured that every day we are building a foundation for this life, and for life in Heaven with Christ Jesus.

A Prayer for the New Year:

Dear Lord,

Thank you for a new year. May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate. We know that you are always ready to forgive us. Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another.

As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

God bless,

Ann M Feltner, Principal



January's Character Trait

Dependability

Luke 12:42 "And the Lord said 'Who then is the faithful and wise steward, whom his master will set over his household, to give them their portion of food at the proper time?'"

Congratulations to the students we recognize for exceptional Generosity in December! Pictured above: Lilian T., JaiLynn S., Cape M., Miguel H., Jackson S., Ross P., Francisco D., Ryan K., Jaxon S., Jack S., Peter S., Savannah C., Bennett B.

IMPORTANT DATES

1/26 - Basketball vs St. Gregory - 3:30pm
at JP2 Gym

1/27 - Open House 9am-12pm

1/29 - State of School - 6:00pm

1/27-2/2 - Catholic Schools Week

2/1 - Visitor's Day 11:15am-12:15pm

2/1 - Soccer Try Outs - 3:15pm (4-6
Grade)



Celebrate Catholic
Schools Week 2019

January 27 - February 2

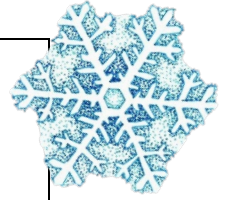
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January is Filled with Many Wonderful Saints and Their Feast Days



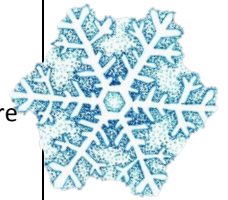
Saint Anthony of Egypt

January 17. Saint Anthony was a solitary ascetic who practiced great mortification yet drew many people to himself. He responded by founding an early form of monastic life. He lived until age 105.



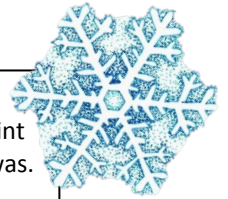
Saint Charles of Sezze

January 18. Like many people, Saint Charles of Sezze thought he knew what God wanted him to do with his life, only to find out that he was mistaken. Instead of going to India as a missionary, Saint Charles settled in Rome where he cooked and cared for the friary and friary chapel. While being simple, Saint Charles was no simpleton as is obvious from his life story.



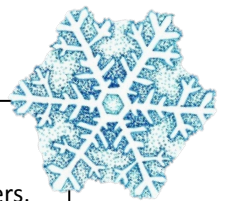
Saint Fabian

January 19. Be careful of birds landing on your head. That happened to Saint Fabian, and it was taken as a sign that he should be elected pope. So, he was. And he served for 14 years until he was martyred in 250.



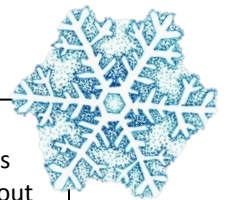
Saint Sebastian

January 20. In art, Saint Sebastian is often depicted as standing near or strapped to a pole riddled with arrows. Indeed, he was executed by archers, but didn't actually die. Later he was beaten to death with clubs. Little else is known about this third century martyr.



Saint Agnes

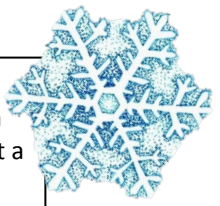
January 21. Like other young martyrs, the death of Saint Agnes reminds us that length of years is not a requirement for a holy life. Little is known about Saint Agnes other than that she was a martyr..





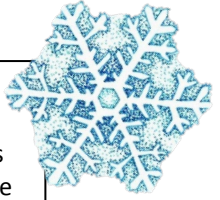
Saint Vincent of Zaragoza

January 22. Very little is known about Saint Vincent of Zaragoza other than some details about his martyrdom. We know that he was a deacon and that a large devoted following survived his death. Most of what we know comes from the "Acts" of Prudentius.



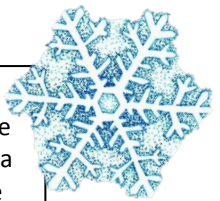
Saint Marianne Cope

January 23. Born in Germany, Saint Marianne Cope's family soon moved to Utica, NY. In 1862 she entered the Sisters of the Third Order of Saint Francis where she served as superior for a number of years. In 1883, Saint Marianne went to Hawaii where she, and other members of her community, cared for women and girls with leprosy.



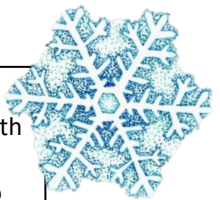
Saint Francis De Sales

January 24. Saint Francis de Sales was born into a senatorial family where he was destined to work in government positions of authority. Instead, he felt a call to the priesthood and was ordained for the Diocese of Geneva. Later he became bishop of that diocese and was known for his gentleness and his strong defense against Calvinism. He authored a couple of books and helped found the Sisters of the Visitation.



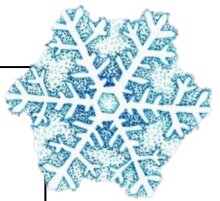
Saints Timothy And Titus

January 26. Saint Timothy and Titus were trusted friends and co-workers with Saint Paul through many of his trials. He eventually set both up as heads of local Churches and encouraged them as would a father. Saint Paul seems to have truly relished their support and friendship.



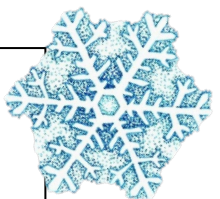
Saint Angela Merici

January 27. Saint Angela Merici was a courageous woman who saw a need and answered it even though society may not have been ready for her solution. Women teaching and, what we call today, a secular institute were new forms of living and ministering which proved very beneficial to the Church.



Saint Thomas Aquinas

January 28. Saint Thomas Aquinas is well known for his writings, especially the "Summa Theologica." But he was far more than a philosopher/theologian. He was a devout man who wrote beautiful prayers and hymns. Perhaps the best known is the "Pange Lingua." He truly was able to combine human reason and revelation and show the fruits of the union.



You're Invited!

A STUDY OF GOD THE FATHER



Walking with Purpose Women's Catholic Bible Study

Fridays, January 25th – March 1st

St. Peter's Catholic Church

10:00am- 11:30am in the Social Hall

For more information contact Diane Rolfe 914-602-1281

Visit or join anytime!

Meet new women for fellowship and friendship.

There is no actual walking involved.

**Jesus wants your friendship and your focus
on Him this year.**