

THE Cardinal's OTTIET Saint Peter's CATHOLIC SCHOOL



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From the Principal's Desk

A Letter from Ms. Feltner

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Dear Saint Peter's Catholic School Families and Friends,

October is Respect Life Month as well as a month devoted to the Rosary and Our Lady. God is the author of all creation and He has a great love for what he has created; for each of us and all of our brothers and sisters. This includes those who are born and unborn, the disabled, the sick, the poor, and the elderly. We are a pro-life faith community!

Our school will be participating in several activities to show how we respect all life from conception to natural death. We are praying one decade of the Rosary each morning as we gather to pray as a school community. We will also be praying the Rosary, (the Sorrowful Mysteries), in front of the main church on Friday, October 11th at 8:30. We would love to have everyone join us!

The following is a reflection from the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops (USCCB). This and other pro-life information can be found at http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/respect-lifeprogram/index.cfm.



Saint of the Week:

Saint Francis Of Assisi

October 4. Saint Francis of Assisi: founder of the Franciscan family, Patron Saint of ecology, inspiration to thousands, claimed by people of all faiths as well as by those with no particular faith, a truly "catholic and apostolic man." Though born in the 13th century, he belongs to all ages.

Respect Life Reflection Christ Our Hope: In Every Season of Life

From the time we are knit together in our mothers' wombs until we take our final breaths, each moment of our lives is a gift from God. While every season of life brings its own challenges and trials, each season also gives us new opportunities to grow in our relationship with God.

Today the gift of life is threatened in countless ways. Those who are most vulnerable, rather than receiving the protection they deserve, are all too often seen as a burden and as expendable. As new attacks on human life continue to emerge, we can be tempted to despair, but Christ instead offers us unfailing hope.

Hope is not false optimism or empty positivity. Christian hope is something much more profound and goes to the very depths of our identity as followers of Christ.

Hope is the virtue "by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit" (CCC, 1817).

Like us, Christ entered the world through the womb of a woman. He willingly experienced the fullness of human suffering. He breathed his last on the Cross at Calvary in order that He might save us. Therefore, "God is the foundation of hope: not any god, but the God who has a human face and who has loved us to the end" (Spe salvi 31).

Christians know "they have a future: it is not that they know the details of what awaits them, but they know in general terms that their life will not end in emptiness" (SS 2).

For this reason, a woman experiencing a difficult pregnancy can find the strength to welcome her precious child into the world. A man facing a terminal diagnosis can see that the end of his earthly life is only the beginning of eternal life with Christ.

The Church teaches us that "the one who has hope lives differently" (SS 2). Christ's promise of salvation does not mean that we will be spared from suffering. Rather, the promise of salvation ensures that even in the darkest moments of our lives, we will be given the strength to persevere. By virtue of this Christian hope, we can face any challenge or trial. When the seas of life swell and we are battered by the waves, hope allows us to remain anchored in the heart of God. May we hold fast to Christ our hope, from the beginning of life to its very end.

Guardian Angel Prayer

Angel of God, my guardian dear; To whom God's love commits me here. Ever this day be at my side, to light, to guard, to rule, to guide.

October 2, 2019 was the Feast of the Guardian Angels, and we ask that our Guardian Angels

continue to protect us and intercede to the Heavenly Father on our behalf.

Thank you and God bless,

Ann M. Feltner

Important Dates!

- **10/4** <u>Half Day Noon Dismissal No Aftercare</u> Bazaar set up will be taking place, making our campus extremely busy.
- **10/5** 60th Annual Saint Peter's Church Bazaar Volunteers are needed. Contact Jessica Green if you are interested in volunteering.

10/11 – 8:30 AM – School wide Rosary – Parents and parishioners, please bring your rosaries and join us for school-wide prayer in front of the church in honor of Respect Life Month. We would love to have as many people as possible helping us to pray and show that every human life is treasured.

10/14 – No School - Columbus Day

- **10/16** Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night Students that attend will receive a SAINT card from their teacher.
 - **10/21** <u>– No School</u> Diocesan Professional Development for Teachers

10/23 – End of 1st Quarter

- **10/28** Brody's Spirit Night 5:00-10:00 PM Students that attend will receive a SAINT card from their teacher.
- **11/1** All Saint's Day Holy Day Students will dress up as their favorite Saint for Mass. Mass is at 12:00 noon.
 - **11/7** Parent/Teacher Conferences 12:15-5:00 PM <u>Half Day</u> <u>Noon</u> <u>Dismissal</u>

11/8 – Parent/Teacher Conferences – No School



K4 took a trip out to the garden to meet our chickens and see their eggs while they were learning about the letter E.



K3 learned all about dinosaurs this week for the letter "D." They even made dinosaur fossils!



K5 spent time learning about measurements and the process of break making, based on a story that they read by baking home-made bread in class!



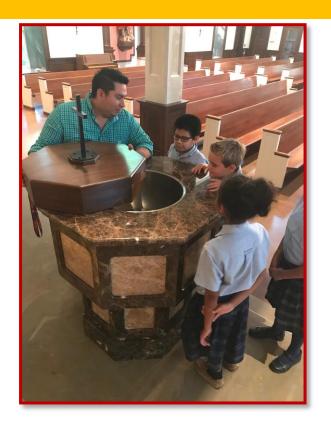
1st grade spent time practicing words and sentences with letters.

2nd Grade is reading Charlotte's Web, by E. B. White. The class is learning what it means to be a true friend! The students enjoyed creating Charlotte the spider and her web this week.





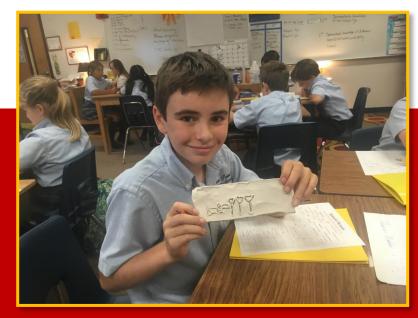
3rd grade had a pow-wow while learning about Indian tribes from South Carolina!



4th grade has been spending time with our Youth Pastor, Robert Rosa-Cruz. They have been on a church tour and spend time each week reading with him.

Our classes have incorporated time in to every week to spend in the Adoration Chapel. 5th Grade was the first class to go.





6th grade wrote their initials in Cuneiform, which is an ancient Sumerian language, during Social Studies.



The Notre Dame Club presented our school with a check on Wednesday! Thank you so much!

Cross Country competed in a race on the beach at Fripp Island on Tuesday.





Mrs. Milner painted a beautiful Rosary for our students!