

THE Cardinal's Corner



November 26, 2019

The mission of Saint 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.

On this upcoming Thanksgiving Day, we remember that we have so much to be thankful to our Good Lord for

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts to our Homes for the Holidays Committee who created an amazing, beautiful, and extremely successful event last weekend! This is a tremendous undertaking that is planned for the better part of a year. We are so grateful for their selfless dedication to our school.

Thank you to all of our parents and families who volunteered their time, talent, and treasure to the event. First, our wonderful PTO for organizing the refreshments, cookie bakers, Mr. Runyan and students singing carols, docents, ticket sellers, bus and golf cart drivers, elf traffic guides, and the list goes on and on. We could not do this without you all!

Thank you, Jon Rembold, School Advisory Council Chairperson and Council members:

Your St. Peter's School Advisory Council met the evening of November 21st to continue our discussion about a 5-year Strategic Plan for our school. John McCarthy, Principal at John Paul II Catholic School was our special guest and he shared with us some great ideas and best practices that will help a busy volunteer council like ours achieve success. To that end, your help and or input might be requested as Principal Feltner forms a steering committee to gather information that will be critical to developing a relevant 5-year plan. Please continue to pray for our council as we work to support the leadership of our school.

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SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Francesco Antonio Fasani

November 27. Saint Francesco
Antonio Fasani was a
Conventual Franciscan who
taught the younger members of
his community and served in
administration. He was
recognized as a great preacher
and confessor. In the minds of
the local people Francesco was
considered a saint at his death.

Thank you to our fantastic teachers and staff:

What is Happening in Technology Class?

From Mrs. Coombes, our Media Center/Technology Teacher:

K-3 and K-4 focus on Library Manners and how to care for books. Students are watching educational videos relating to a theme, choose a book, and then do a coloring activity. I will introduce mice and Chromebooks to K-4 in the next few months.

And of course, some days, we do "free choice" educational games on hoodamath.com, abcya.com, etc.

K-5 students are becoming more proficient in using a mouse; clicking, dragging and double click. We use *abcya.com* for simple games and *starfall.com* to practice mouse and typing skills.

We are using commonsense.org and netsmartzkids.org to teach how to be safe and smart when using technology. (Internet safety)

Grade 1 is using Typetastic.

Grades 2 to 6 all have usernames and passwords for the online keyboarding site, typingclub.com.

Grades 2 through 6 are also learning about...

- Media balance
- Privacy/security
- Digital footprint
- Communication
- Cyberbullying, digital drama and hate speech (5th and 6th grades)
- Internet fact or fiction
- 2nd to 6th grade have completed simple coding activity on *tynker.com*. They had to figure out how to make an avatar move (walk and jump) to get to a candy bar.

We have complete lesson plans, PowerPoint presentations, and exit ticket worksheets all set up for teachers!

The 3rd week in October was Digital Citizen Week and December 9-15 is Hour of Code week.

We are learning every day!

*Thank you to Mrs. Coombes and our school families for a very successful Scholastic Book Fair!

Thank you for our Country, our Military, and Leaders past and present: National Day of Thanksgiving

Proclamation by the President of the United States, October 28, 1871

The procession of the seasons has again enabled the husbandman to garner the fruits of successful toil. Industry has been generally well awarded. We are at peace with all nations, and tranquility, with few exceptions, prevails at home. Within the past year we have in the main been free from the ills which elsewhere have affected our kind.

If some of us have had calamities, there should be an occasion for sympathy with the sufferers, of resignation on their part to the will of the Most High, and of rejoicing to the many who have been more favored.

I therefore recommend that on Thursday, the 30th day of November next, the people meet in their respective places of worship, and there make the usual acknowledgments to Almighty God for the blessings he has conferred upon them; for their merciful exemption from evil, and invoke His protection and kindness for their less fortunate brethren whom, in His wisdom he has deemed it best to chastise.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the city of Washington this twenty-eighth day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the ninety-sixth.

By the President,

Ulysses S. Grant.

Thank you to all who give so much to support our Adopt-A-Student Program, they are truly making a difference in the lives of our children. (Please keep Mr. Bill Gabrielson in your prayers!).

Most importantly, we are thankful for our school parents and families because you are willing to make sacrifices to share your precious children with us.

We pray that you all have a happy, restful, and blessed Thanksgiving!

Blessings,

Ann Feltner

Important Dates & Announcements!

11/27-11/29 - Thanksgiving Break - No School

12/3 – Upper Crust Spirit Night – 5:00-8:00 PM– Students that attend will receive a SAINT card from their teacher

12/8 – Christmas Parade – Line up at 2:30 PM

12/9 – School Mass – Immaculate Conception – 12:00 Noon

12/11 – Spirit Wear Orders Due!

12/12 - No School Mass

12/17 - School Christmas Concert - 6:00 PM

12/18 – Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night – 5:30-7:30 PM – Students that attend will receive a SAINT card from their teacher

12/20 - Half Day - NO AFTERCARE - Christmas Break Begins

12/21-1/3 - Christmas Break - No School

1/6 – School Resumes

The St. Francis Center on St. Helena Island is seeking the following winter clothes for children.

- Sweaters/Sweatshirts
- Long Sleeve Shirts
- Jeans
- Shoes

Since you have to make room for the new clothes that the children will receive at Christmas time, get a jump start on cleaning out the closets! Sr. Canice and Sr. Marcine will gladly take your donations! Please drop them off at the school's front office to Mrs. Green, or feel free to make a trip out to the center at 85 Mattis Dr, St Helena Island, SC 29920.

You can also "like" the St. Francis Center on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Nonprofit-Organization/St-Francis-Center-on-St-Helena-Island-SC-174598323252010/.

Thank you so much to our families for all of their support and contributions to our Thanksgiving Feast! It was such a great time of fellowship!

















