



At Saint Jerome School, these are some of the ways we lived our Mission this week....January 6, 2012

Academic excellence

I enjoyed the K-1 unit on penguins. The story, the music and the penguin and snowman themed art was fun to share and now will be enjoyed by all who pass through the halls.

Grade 4 is working on motion in Science and was engaged in a map-it-as-you-move activity to make the concept clear and fun! It looked like they were succeeding on both!

Grade 7 created a slide show entitled "Finding God" where each student contributed actual photographs of where they saw God in their everyday lives and for their research on the observance of Epiphany around the world (these were shared at assembly this morning). We learned of the traditions and practices of people in Australia, France, Italy, Greece, the United States and Canada.

Mrs. Graham has the art classes working on building a cooperative castle. When all the parts are done and assembled you will be in for a visual treat! It will be up soon and on display during Catholic Schools Week. Thanks to all our budding artists!

I am delighted to hear from so many teachers about improvements being made by their students. I applaud all who saw where improvement was needed and have either changed their approach or are asking teachers for more help.

Faith at the center of what we do

Grade 2 has begun preparing for the sacrament of Reconciliation as a big step in preparation for the reception of their First Holy Communion in May. We will pray for them as they learn all they can about what a beautiful gift the Eucharist is to all of us.

A special thanks to Grade 3 for the beautiful Mass celebrating the Epiphany and the bulletin board entitled "We Live for Jesus." The board shows us the hand drawn pictures of the Epiphany along with photos of those who shared their talent in "Annie" and, in a tribute to the military service project of contributing gum and candy, pictures of the class with Mr. Galicki and Sgt. Johnston in their uniforms at our Veterans Day Celebration.



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A shout out to Alexandria Galicki, Jillian Gobbi, Melissa Murphy and Charlotte Hannon for their beautiful art work on the Grade 3 Mass program.

A first today... we welcome K-1 to our school celebration of the Eucharist. Children learn what they live and we know all of us will show them what a special opportunity it is to attend Mass with us.

And another "first", Mrs. Julie Fay played piano for our Mass. Mrs. Fay is the new music director for the parish and will work with the school whenever needed. Thank you for welcoming her!

A special thanks to the families who attended the wake for Miss Powers' father and the thoughtful Edible Arrangement sent by the Parent Council on behalf of all school families.

Service as a way to build community

A special thanks to Father Blaney, Megan, Kyle and Kelly McCarthy, for putting away the cones Tuesday, Mr. Smith for doing it on Wed. and Joanna Dwyer and her dad, Gabbie Comeau and her dad, Patrick Kelly, Liam Borza and Mrs. Kamberidis for putting them away on Thursday!

It is a tribute to the tradition, teachers and success of our school that so many students home for Christmas break are coming back to visit us. A couple of classes have held small reunions this week and have been in touch by e-mail. A wonderful surprise and thoroughly enjoyed by those of us who were here when they were students at Saint Jerome School!

Shout out!!!!

Girls Basketball winning 1st game

We hope Noah Byrnes and Jett Littlefield have enjoyed their first week at our school!