

SABER NEWS & NOTES

March 11, 2022

Dear MCC Families,

The Corporal Works of Mercy are found in the teachings of Jesus and give us a model for how we should treat all others, as if they were Christ himself. They are charitable actions by which we help our neighbors in their life needs, responding to the basic needs of humanity as we journey together through this life. Saint John Paul II issued a papal encyclical “Dives in misericordia” declaring that “Jesus Christ taught that man not only receives and experiences the mercy of God, but that he is also called ‘to practice mercy’ towards others. God wants our lives to overflow with mercy, love and compassion – the marks of His kingdom.

During Lent we have organized a service project to assist the local homeless and domestic violence shelters. Starting Monday, March 14 we will start collecting items for our service project. Some of the items collected will be put into toiletry bags for homeless people in our area. The remaining items will be taken to these shelters to assist with their needs. Please support this very important service project. All items will be collected in the classrooms and the school office.

To help us gather different items that are needed, we have assigned a specific item to each classroom (elementary) or class (middle/HS). Please see the following list prior to purchasing your items. All toiletry items must be travel size. Please donate what you can afford to share with our less fortunate families in the community (1-5 count of toiletry items per student would be great!)

All items can be dropped off in the classroom or in the school office. Thank you for your kindness and support!!!

Blessings,

Mrs. Catherine Grinn

Pre-school (3 year old and 4 year old)	Men’s Socks (ankle or calf, any size)
Kindergarten	Body soap (liquid or bar)
First Grade	Toothpaste
Second Grade	Deodorant
Third Grade	Q-tips
Fourth/Fifth Grade	Baby wipes
Sixth Grade	Hair Ties
Seventh Grade	Combs
Eighth Grade	Washcloths
Ninth Grade	Women’s Socks (ankle or no show, any size)
Tenth Grade	Men’s short sleeve t-shirts (small or medium)
Eleventh Grade	Men’s short sleeve t-shirt (Large)
Twelfth Grade	Men’s short sleeve t-shirt (XL or 2XL)

March 7-11 Virtue of the Week: Devotion

LUKE 7: 36-50 One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and took his place at the table. And a woman in the city, who was a sinner, having learned that he was eating in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster jar of ointment. She stood behind him at his feet, weeping, and began to bathe his feet with her tears and to dry them with her hair. Then she continued kissing his feet and anointing them with the ointment. Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw it, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what kind of woman this is who is touching him-- that she is a sinner." Jesus spoke up and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." "Teacher," he replied, "Speak." "A certain creditor had two debtors; one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. When they could not pay, he canceled the debts for both of them. Now which of them will love him more?" Simon answered, "I suppose the one for whom he canceled the greater debt." And Jesus said to him, "You have judged rightly." Then turning toward the woman, he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has bathed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not stopped kissing my feet. You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. Therefore, I tell you, her sins, which were many, have been forgiven; hence she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven, loves little." Then he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

Prayer

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My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior for He has looked with favor on His lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is His Name. He has mercy on those who fear Him in every generation. He has shown the strength of His arm, He has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty. He has come to the help of His servant Israel for He remembered His promise of mercy, the promise He made to our fathers, to Abraham and His children forever.

"One single day of devotion is worth more than a thousand years of worldly life." - St. Francis de Sales

Lent 2022
Daily At-Home Lenten Activities for Families
CALENDAR
MARCH

SUN 13
"This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Mk 9:7
How can you listen more carefully to the way Jesus asks you to follow him this week?

MON 14
Forgive and you will be forgiven. Lk 6:37
Ask God to show you how to forgive and to ask for forgiveness from others. Pray an Act of Contrition.

TUE 15
"The greatest among you must be your servant." Mt 23:11
Look for an opportunity to serve someone else today. Do a chore without being asked. Pick up after someone else. Whatever you choose, do it with love.

WED 16
"I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life." Jn 8:12
Have an adult family member light a candle. Together, watch its warm glow. How can you let the light of Jesus guide you today?

THU 17
"In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit" Mt 28:19
Today is the feast day of Saint Patrick who taught about the Blessed Trinity. Pray the Sign of the Cross together.

FRI 18
"God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son; so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life." Jn 3:16
Share the Good News of Jesus with someone else today. Make it happen!

SAT 19
"Jacob was the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary. Of her was born Jesus who is called the Christ." Mt 1:16
Today is the feast of Saint Joseph, who cared for Mary and Jesus. Ask Saint Joseph to pray for your family and to help you care for one another. Wear red today to honor him!

Lost & Found

Click [here](#) to see items that are still in lost and found. Please claim items from the office.

Divine Mercy Parish Calendar

Check the Divine Mercy Parish Calendar often to see important scheduled events. Click [here](#).

Important Upcoming Events and Reminders



Don't forget to bring in **gently used books** for our book swap. Collection bins are in front of the office. Next week's theme is *'Reading Under the Stars!'*

Monday 14	Tuesday 15	Wednesday 16	Thursday 17	Friday 18	Saturday 19
<p>Chicken and noodles, Carrots and parsnips</p> <p>Buddy Reading! 10:00-10:30am PK-12 - bring your favorite books to read.</p>	<p>Biscuit and sausage gravy, Hash brown</p> <p>DEAR! Remember to bring your favorite book!</p>	<p>Chili, Corn muffin, Side salad</p> <p>Favorite bedtime stories! Pajama/sweats Day with favorite stuffed animal</p> <p>Faith Formation (Pre-K - 7th Grade) (SJPC) 6:15pm - 7:30pm</p>	<p>Cheese quesadilla, Salsa, Pinto beans</p> <p>St. Patrick Day Jeans and Green! Reading is Golden Treat Bags</p> <p>Mass (Chapel - Elementary) 9:00am</p> <p>Mass (Chapel - Middle/High School) 10:00am</p> <p>1:30 Leprechaun Assembly K-12 - with Ice cream sundaes with fun toppings!</p>	<p>Cheese pizza, Ranch dip</p> <p>Last day to donate book swap books!</p> <p>Families please join us for our "Star" Read-a-thon 2:00pm in gym - Bring a favorite book to share with your child.</p>	<p>Science Olympiad Regional Competition</p>

Parents are needed to help out on Thursday – please call the school office if you can help. Click [here](#) to get the pdf of the Reading month calendar.



Events Report

The 30th Annual MCC Hall of Fame Dinner is [Saturday, March 12th](#).

Hors d'oeuvres at 5:30pm
Dinner starts at 6pm

This event will be catered by Jerry Zupin. Tickets are \$15 each and are available in the school office. We would love to have you join us to celebrate those who are being inducted into the Hall of Fame this year: [Carolyn Kosibiski](#), [Tom Kaminski](#), [Dan Picardat](#), [Heather Janowiak](#), [Mary Lynn Burchard](#), and [the MCC Class of 1970](#).

Open House/Kindergarten and Preschool Round Up is **Sunday, March 20th** from **11am-1pm**.

Spread the word! Please join us and bring friends who are interested in MCC! The Divine Mercy Men's Club will be serving a free pancake breakfast in the cafeteria. Our Saber robotics program will be doing demonstrations in the robotics lab and will also have a robot available for prospective robotics students to drive. All teachers, **Preschool thru 12th grade**, will be in classrooms to answer questions about curriculum. **Enrollment** for the 2022/23 school year will be **OPEN** and staff will be on hand to help with admissions questions. We hope to see you there!

Poetry Out Loud

Congratulations to Violet Snider who represented Manistee Catholic Central at **Poetry Out Loud** in Lansing last week. Violet competed against many other talented students from our state reciting "What to Say Upon Being Asked to be Friends" by Julian Talamantez Brolaski in the first round and "I Felt a Funeral in My Brain" by Emily Dickenson in the second.

While she did not place in the top four, Violet represented MCC very well. Her delivery was fantastic, and her enthusiasm was contagious. She was also able to attend poetry workshops with other student competitors and made many new friends.

Poetry Out Loud is a national arts program that encourages the study of excellent poetry. All 88 middle and high school students participated in Poetry Out Loud with ten brave students competing to represent our school at state.

Congratulations, Violet!

A huge thank you!

The **Manistee Catholic Central Athletic Association (MCCAA)** would like to express a huge thank you to Joe Korzeniewski for all of his time, hard work and expertise he gave to the 2021 Paczki Sale. Thank you to Mrs. Lind for making alternative lunch plans for the students on Monday and also for the use of her kitchen. Last but not least, **THANK YOU** to all of the volunteers and students that put in countless hours this past week! We sold over **285 dozen paczki**! We could not have done this without you. We look forward to another successful community paczki event next year.

Warm Regards,
Lindsay J. Hallead

CTE Tours

The 8th graders visited WSCC last Friday to tour the CTE facilities and learn more about the programs offered. Students were able to pick four programs to visit and explore with a brief presentation detailing the curriculum of each CTE program. This was a great opportunity for our 8th graders to begin planning for their future and to gain some insight as to what WSCC and their CTE program has to offer.



2nd Annual

"MCC'S GOT TALENT!"

Do you like to sing, act, paint, draw, dance, do gymnastics, write, play an instrument, do tricks with a yo yo, or tell funny jokes? Have a special talent or gift that the world is just waiting to see? Well, "you" are just what we need for our 2nd Annual "MCC'S GOT TALENT!" Night!

WHAT: "MCC'S GOT TALENT!" Night

WHEN: Thursday, April 28, 2022

WHERE: MCC Gym

TIME: 6:00 - 8:00 PM

"A Talent is a gift or skill that someone has to do something very well that people usually like and that is difficult. It is an ability that someone is born with. "Talent" is God gifted ability."



SIGN UP TODAY!

For More Info please contact: Mrs. Pointer or Mrs. Biehl

Click [here](#) to print the participation/permission form to enter the talent show.