## WEEKLY WORD



### **Prayer for First Responders**:

Lord, I ask you through St. Michael the Archangel, to watch over all of the men and women who so generously devote themselves to helping others. Grant them courage when afraid, wisdom when they must make quick decisions, strength when weary, and compassion in all their work. When the alarm sounds and they are called to aid both friend and stranger, let them faithfully serve you in their neighbors. Amen.

#### **Prayer for Families of First Responders:**

Lord, have mercy on those who must wait, trust and hope every time a first responder goes into action. They are all too aware of the dangers their loved ones face. Please, as Your word promises, keep them in perfect peace; steady their minds and help them to trust in You (Isaiah 26:3), in Jesus' name, Amen.

+Dear St. Cecilia School Families,

Thank you for your understanding and assistance today as we moved to virtual and flexible learning due to the funeral for Chief Garrow. I know that his family and the city of Philadlephia, especially the Philadelphia Fire Department, are grateful for our accommodations.

Let us keep all First Responders and their families in our prayers.

God bless you, Sister Catherine Irene, IHM

Today Love must not be hidden...

It must be living, active and true!

-Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini
Foundress of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus





Retrieved from <a href="https://www.mothercabrini.org/">https://www.mothercabrini.org/</a> on November 12, 2023

As you know, the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students saw the movie Cabrini on Monday. It was a powerful movie. I decided to share these quotes from St. Frances Xavier Cabrini again (they were in the November 13 Weekly Word). As we saw in the movie, Mother Cabrini's love for God and for the people of God was not hidden. It was active as evident by orphanages, hospitals, and schools that she opened. While we did not often see how much she prayed in the movie, she had to be a woman of deep prayer. Why do I believe that? I believe that because of the great work that she did and because of the mercy she showed to those who tried to stop her from serving the people of God.

In the movie, Mother Cabrini acknowledged that what the Italian immigrants were experiencing in New York was similar to other groups. She met with Irish, Polish, German, and Jewish immigrants. Together, they were able to start a hospital to serve all of God's people. Here at St. Cecilia, we are called to do the same. Right now, our families from Haiti are doing all they can to help their loved ones who are experiencing such turmoil again. We have families whose relatives are coming from Central America, Colombia, Brazil, Vietnam, Thailand, the Phillipines, many countries of Africa, Pakistan, India, and more. How will Jesus work in and through us? How are we being asked to serve God and His people? We might not be able to answer these questions right now, but we can look to Mother Cabrini for guidance. She told us that prayer is powerful. So, let our first marvelous work be in and through our prayer! Let us pray for all of God's people! Why – simply because WE ARE ALL GOD'S PEOPLE!

Thank you for all that you do every day to lead each other closer to God!

## Upcoming Events

March 13	VIRTUAL CLASSES TODAY DUE TO THE FUNERAL FOR FIRE CHIEF JOHN GARROW
March 15	Soups and Stations at 5:30 p. m. – Soup
	7:00 p.m Stations of the Cross, led by the Students
	Report Cards will be emailed to families later this day
March 19	School Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.
	Sacrament Meeting for Grades 2 and 7 – 7:00 p.m.
March 20	Stations of the Cross – Grades 5 to 7, 1:30 p.m.
March 21	GRADE 7 Universal High School Visitation Day
	District Principal's Meeting
March 22	Fun Day!
	Stations of the Cross, Grades 1 to 4, 1:30 p.m.
March 23	Catechetical Convocation
March 24	Palm Sunday
March 27	Living Stations for School at 1:30 p.m.; Easter Vacation begins at Dismissal: FULL DAY
March 28	Holy Thursday
March 29	Good Friday: Living Stations at 7:00 p.m. in Church
March 31	Easter Sunday
April 1	Easter Monday – No School
April 2	School Holiday – No School
April 13	Confirmation
April 20	Legacy Run



Do you have time this week to help at lunch and/or recess? Please check out the sign-up Genius to sign up to help. You must have your clearances. All volunteers are welcome! Thank you and God bless you!

Go to: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4FA4A728A7F5C43-47999860-scslunch#/



Sign-ups for Basketball and Theatre Camps are on the website! Go to the homepage for all sign-ups! Click **HERE** to go to links



## Lenten Soup and Stations Night ~ Friday, March 15 at 5:30pm

Join us in the Auditorium for a Simple Lenten Soup Night beginning at 5:30pm hosted by our school students. Please call the rectory at 215-725-1240 if you will be attending. Free will offering accepted. After supper, join everyone at church for the Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm.

. St. Patricks

## Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a Dress Down Green Day!

On Friday, March 15, we will have a Dress Down Green Day and everyone is encouraged to wear your green! No face painting nor green hair color will be permitted on this day. You don't have green? No problem: wear your gym uniform.

All clothes must be appropriate for young people in a Catholic School. We will call home if anyone comes to school with inappropriate clothes.

# ST. CECILIA SCHOOL KICK OFF TO OUR WALK-A-THON



Look for the FUN DAY Flyer to come home tomorrow.

All payments for FUN DAY will be sent directly to school via cash or check!