



St. Elizabeth Area Catholic School

Principal's Perspective

November 10, 2023

Coming up

Dear Saint Elizabeth families,

It was a great week to celebrate Vocations! Each class "adopted" one of our Diocesan Seminarians. They will support him throughout the school year by sending prayers, cards, drawings and pictures. We had a little fun with the life-sized cut outs of our Seminarians and took turns taking pictures with them. Please pray that more young people say "yes" to God's calling to the Priesthood or Religious life. Special thanks to Father Andy and his "yes" to become a Priest. You are a gift, Father!

Next week we celebrate the Feast Day of our patron Saint, Elizabeth of Hungary. The classes will be working on a collaborative display depicting Saint Elizabeth's generosity. The display will be set up in the church. Thank you to all of our Veterans! The students are preparing to visit a local VA Medical Center in Saginaw to bring joy and thanksgiving. More details to come.

Have a blessed weekend!

November 14

Home & School Meeting 6 PM

November 17

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Feast Day
8:30 AM Mass

November 22

11 AM Dismissal

November 23-24

No School – Happy Thanksgiving!

November 29

Advent Family Night

Prayer Corner – Madelyn Ellison – 5th Grade

Dear God,
Please help all that are in the hospital that they are healed. Please help all of the people who let the devil into them that you guide them away from him. Thank you for forgiving all our sins.

In your name we pray,
Amen

News from the Classrooms

7-8 Grade – Mrs. Lamb

Thank you for taking the time to come in for conferences! It was great to see everyone. Please keep the communication coming. Good luck to the kiddos in the 2nd marking period.

Next Friday will be another DC Delights Sale! Can we make it third one in a row with over \$200 profit? I hope so! :) Thank you for everyone's continued generosity.

Our class would like to give a personal shout out to all our Veteran's. We are thankful for the service these men and women have given to our country.

Please pray for our Seminarians, especially our adopted Seminarian Daniel Christe. We are thankful for answering his call to the Priesthood. Please pray for more young men and women to answer the call to Religious Life.

Next Friday will be an all-school mass in Honor of St. Elizabeth's Feast Day. Please join us for 8:30 mass if you can.

Thank you for all you do! Have a great weekend.

5-6 Grade – Mrs. Mashike

We have now finished our second week of the second marking period. I was very happy that each of my students earned an award. I hope that they keep up the hard work this marking period.

Please remember that the students can work on IXL and read at home, so that they can take their AR tests while here at school.

We did a couple of picture studies this week. The first one was from an art journal that will be used periodically throughout the year for our Wednesday lessons with Mrs. King before mass. This week's picture was of the Last Supper. We had a very nice discussion about the picture in class, and then in church on Wednesday. The second picture was of a portion of the Edmund Fitzgerald. After the picture study, I played them the song "The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald" and discussed the song. This was a great discussion in which the students learned about something related to our state.

It was great being at school all week. I have to call in for jury duty again next Monday night. I am hoping that I will be able to be in school again next week, but, as we know, these things are not guaranteed. I have reminded the students, but I wanted to remind all of you, as well.

Have a Blessed weekend!

3-4 Grade - Ms. Susalla

Hello Families!

Thank you all for attending parent-teacher conferences. I am excited to continue to see your children grow and progress throughout the year! New AR/IXL goals have been set, students should be working on this through the whole marking period. 25% of goals are due next Tuesday, Nov. 14th.

In 4th grade math we will be reviewing multiplication facts and 3rd grade will soon be starting multiplication. Please spend a few minutes each night working on the facts so that they become automatic. If they memorize the facts, it will make division and multiplying several digits much easier. If you need flashcards, please let me know.

During vocations week this week, each class has "adopted" a seminarian from our diocese. We have "adopted" Carter Filhart, he is in his 1st year at St. John Vianney Seminary in St. Paul MN. We will be praying for him and writing letters throughout the school year. I would encourage all our families to pray for all seminarians and in particular, Carter. Also, this week, all classes began speaking the Sign of the Cross (Signum Crucis) in Latin. Ask your child about it!!

Have a blessed week!

1-2 Grade -Mrs. Hecht

Hello families! We have been busy learning about Veterans Day and Thanksgiving. The kids will be cutting out vegetables for our hallway cornucopia and completing classroom Thanksgiving "projects".

We are learning how to say the sign of the cross in Latin. Ask them to show you! (In nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti).

We are hoping to earn a jean day by collecting donations of pancake mix, syrup and jam/jellies. Donations are due by Wednesday, November 22nd. Thank you in advance for your contribution!

The introduction of weekly vocabulary words has been well received!

Students need to be at 25% of their AR goal by 11/14. Time management will be especially important this marking period with each student's goal increased, Thanksgiving break, Christmas play practice, Christmas break and any snow days.

I thank you for 100% participation in Parent Teacher Conferences!
May your week be blessed.

Spanish – Ms. Weiss

The 1st and 2nd Graders have been learning about mariposas (butterflies), their life cycle, and how they migrate to Mexico for the winter!



Kindergarten – Ms. LaClair

This week we celebrated our Veterans, we talked about what it meant to live with freedom, to be able to worship and study and travel however and whenever we want. We learned some new patriotic songs. Don't forget to "remove your hat," or thank a veteran for their service.

We are taking the next few weeks to learn about all things Thanksgiving, our math lessons, writing prompts, reading etc. has to do with giving Thanks. We worked together with our 7th-8th grade buddies to construct a shelter that would keep our mini cutout pilgrims warm and dry, we also cooked a potato and talked about chemical change that took place.

Thank you to all of you for attending parent teacher conferences. It was nice to spend that time with you talking about your awesome and amazing student. I had a couple of really long days and I'm sure it was a change in routine for all of you as well. So worth it though!

Upcoming Events for next week:

Home and School meeting on Tuesday, November 14
DC delights on Friday, November 17

Enjoy your weekend,
Ms LaClair

We are practicing hard for our performance for the Veterans at the VA Hospital this month singing patriotic songs to cheer them up!



Please join us for the
**St. Elizabeth Parish
Family Advent Night**



Wednesday, November 29th

6:30pm – 8:00pm

In the St. Elizabeth Parish Center

Each family will create their own Jesse Tree to take home.

What is A Jesse Tree?

During advent, we celebrate the first coming of Jesus and look forward to his return. The Jesse Tree is a tool for families during the advent season as they count down to Christmas day. For centuries, the Jesse Tree tradition taught children about the family tree of Jesus. It is named from the first verse in Isaiah 1:1 which says, "A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse." Jesse, the father of David, is a great-grandfather of Jesus.



There is an ornament for each day in December through Christmas day that depicts a story from biblical history. For each symbol there are correlating Old Testament and New Testament scriptures. These stories give a "refresher" of the Bible as a whole, all the while reminding us of how the scriptures are all connected in the theme of God's grace.

Please join us for faith,
fun, and fellowship!

All materials will be provided ♦ Free will donation accepted

Please complete and return to the Parish Office by 11/27,
to enable us to gather all materials and reserve a table for you.

☐ Yes! My family plans to attend the Advent Family Night

Family Name _____ Phone _____

Number of Adults Attending _____ Number of Children Attending _____

Attention all bakers!!

The St. Elizabeth Parish Bake Sale will be starting up in November. We will be having only 2 bake sales this year. The first will be the weekend of November 11-12 after the masses. NOVEMBER'S bakers will be those whose last name begins with letters A-L. We will be looking forward to some yummy treats! We will remind you again as the date gets closer!



Check our
**Facebook
page and
share it!**



The next Home & School Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 14** at 6 PM in the Parish Center and via Zoom.

All families are welcome, including the children, who can play in the gym while the meeting is going on.

Meetings last about an hour discussing fundraising, marketing and enrollment recruiting for the school!

COME JOIN US!