

Spartan Scoop

NOVEMBER 4, 2022

WHAT HAPPENED THIS WEEK?

Good Afternoon Spartan Parents!

As a reminder there is no school from November 4th-November 8th.



Conferences are being held on Monday and Tuesday, please enter through door A, the rest of the building will be locked. Please adhere to your conference time and if you are unable to keep your conference time please notify the office or the teacher.

Don't forget that we experience fall back (Daylight Savings) this Sunday.

WINNER! WINNER!

Congratulations to the 5th grade class in winning their grant to redo the courtyard! Thank you to all who voted and shared on social media to make this happen!



LUNCH BUNCH

This month's lunch bunch is..... Sadie Patten, Leo Reaser, Grace Chabaaa, Michaela Severson, and Ollie Price! Congratulations! Their names were drawn from a very long list of exemplary students that were fantastic role models in Faith! I love seeing so many great role models with St. Germaine!



SPARTAN SPOTLIGHT- SPARTAN OF THE WEEK

With the two shortened weeks, we will have one Spartan on the Week announced on 11/11



VIRTUE OF THE MONTH



DILIGENCE

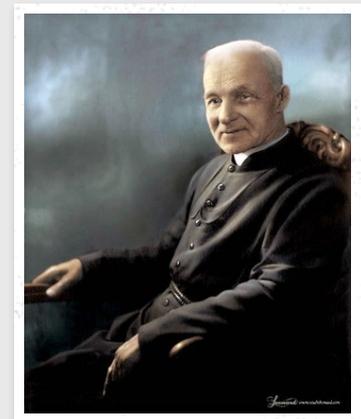
Every month we will be looking at virtue as a whole school. This week our students added the gift of Faith to our growing gift of kindness. This month we will be focusing on how we can be a more diligent. A diligent person is characterized by steady, earnest, and energetic effort. Our school is filled with diligent individuals, I can't wait to watch this virtue shine!

SPARTANS CELEBRATE THE SAINTS

The month of November is devoted to the Saints. Every week I will highlight a new saint to discover that families can talk about together.

This week's saint is St. Andre Bessette.

One of the things I strive to instill in the children is that we have all been called to become saints. We all have in us what it takes. The ordinary can do the extraordinary. This saint truly helps bring home those lessons as he was actually a friend of Ms. Rachele's family! Imagine being friends with someone who became a saint! I told the students, look around you! There can be a saint among us!



Brother André expressed a saint's faith by a lifelong devotion to Saint Joseph. Sickness and weakness dogged André from birth. He was the eighth of 12 children born to a French Canadian couple near Montreal. Adopted at 12, when both parents had died, he became a farmhand. Various trades followed: shoemaker, baker, blacksmith—all failures. He was a factory worker in the United States during the boom times of the Civil War.

At 25, André applied for entrance into the Congregation of Holy Cross. After a year's novitiate, he was not admitted because of his weak health. But with an extension and the urging of Bishop Bourget, he was finally received. He was given the humble job of doorkeeper at Notre Dame College in Montreal, with additional duties as sacristan, laundry worker and messenger. "When I joined this community, the superiors showed me the door, and I remained 40 years," he said.

In his little room near the door, he spent much of the night on his knees. On his windowsill, facing Mount Royal, was a small statue of Saint Joseph, to whom he had been devoted since childhood. When asked about it he said, "Some day, Saint Joseph is going to be honored in a very special way on Mount Royal!"

When he heard someone was ill, he visited to bring cheer and to pray with the sick person. He would rub the sick person lightly with oil taken from a lamp burning in the college chapel. Word of healing powers began to spread.

When an epidemic broke out at a nearby college, André volunteered to nurse. Not one person died. The trickle of sick people to his door became a flood. His superiors were uneasy; diocesan authorities were suspicious; doctors called him a quack. "I do not cure," he said again and again. "Saint Joseph cures." In the end he needed four secretaries to handle the 80,000 letters he received each year.

For many years the Holy Cross authorities had tried to buy land on Mount Royal. Brother André and others climbed the steep hill and planted medals of Saint Joseph. Suddenly, the owners yielded. André collected \$200 to build a small chapel and began receiving visitors there—smiling through long hours of listening, applying Saint Joseph's oil. Some were cured, some not. The pile of crutches, canes and braces grew.

The chapel also grew. By 1931, there were gleaming walls, but money ran out. "Put a statue of Saint Joseph in the middle. If he wants a roof over his head, he'll get it." The magnificent Oratory on Mount Royal took 50 years to build. The sickly boy who could not hold a job died at 92.

He is buried at the Oratory. He was beatified in 1982 and canonized in 2010. At his canonization in October 2010, Pope Benedict XVI said that Saint Andre "lived the beatitude of the pure of heart."-franciscanmedia.com



STUDENT COUNCIL CONTEST

The student Council will be holding a turkey toss contest

This will run from 11/15-11/22. You get 3 tosses for a dollar.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE



Holiday Craft Show Help Needed

www.signupgenius.com

Looking for help for our annual holiday craft show. Please sign up and get those service hours! Plenty of spaces to fill! Thank you in advance!

Online Team Sporting Goods Sal...

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A NIGHT AT THE RACES

WHEN

FRIDAY, NOV. 11TH, 6PM

WHERE

**16650 14 MILE ROAD
FRASER, MI**

MORE INFORMATION

If you've never been: there's dinner, an open bar, and 10 races to wager on. There will also be a special 11th race at the end of the night. Bring a group (tables seat 8) and some cash (you can't bring too much), and plan for a fun night out.

Also: part of the fundraising is selling the horses. Be an owner! Buy as many horses as you'd like (in advance), name them whatever you'd like, and if a horse you own wins its race, you win a cash prize! You can even buy and name a horse if you won't be there but still want to own and name a virtual horse while helping a good cause.

See the attached flier for full details and contact a Men's Club member with any questions, ticket requests, sponsorship options, or anything else.

As a reminder this is a 21 year and old event

Thanks!

Phil Jones

OLOH-Mens Club President

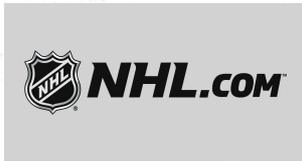


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NOMINATE A TEACHER OF THE MONTH FOR THEM TO WIN A PRIZE!



Teacher of the Month

www.nhl.com

The Detroit Red Wings Teacher of the Month program, presented by Burns and Wilcox, was created to show thanks and gratitude to Michigan teachers and educators who change the lives of millions of children every day, inside and outside the classroom. Each month from October 2022 to March 2023, one deserving teacher will be recognized with the Red Wings Teacher of the Month award.

NOVEMBER DRESS DOWN DAYS

I was asked to add two dress down days to the calendar. Each dress down day will be \$1. Neither of these days are head to toe. Students must wear their uniform shoes (K-5) and Gym shoes (6-8) No hats, wigs, make up or hair dye. There was an error on the original posting, the changes have been made to reflect the correct buddies.

November 14th Wear Blue Day for diabetes. All proceeds will go to JDRF.

November 18th Buddy Color Day-Wear the same color as your buddy.

8th/2nd grade blue

3rd/7th grade purple

1st/6th grade white

Pre-K/5th orange

Kindergarten/4th yellow

IMPORTANT DATES

- 10/29 Net retreat grade 8
- 11/3 Report Cards home
- 11/4 No school
- 11/7 No school- conferences in the evening
- 11/8 No School- conferences
- 11/11 Men's Club Horse Racing
- 11/12 Craft Show



NOVEMBER CALENDAR



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SPARTAN SPIRIT WEAR

Attached is the flier for the new spirit wear store. The website address in the flier can be clicked to go to the shop website or I am including the link below. You just have to click and enter the shop code then you can shop, pay and it will be shipped directly to the purchaser. There also is a contact in the shop so if you have questions you can email them directly. Open through the end of the year.



This year I will allow the middle school to wear the 1/4 zip up in place of or with their sweater/vests. Many of the middle school students complain it is cold in their class/hallway. Coats are not permitted in class, however if they feel an additional layer is necessary, they may wear these.

Once our website is fully operational this link will have a home there as well.

Password: PJ6Q8



Spirit Wear Flier.pdf

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HELP NEEDED

SACC AM WORKERS- We are in search for a person to work morning SACC T-TH 6:15-8:00. If you are available or know someone who might be interested please contact Mrs. Talanges at dtalanges@stgermaine.org



YEARBOOK PHOTOS

Remember the more you submit the better our yearbook will be!

Submit your photos to:

Stgermaineyearbook@yahoo.com As a reminder include the grade that the pictures are from when you submit! Thanks!



HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEKEND

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend, we will see you Monday!

Colleen



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