

# CATHOLIC EDUCATION

NOW MORE THAN EVER



## DID YOU KNOW...

### St. John Vianney

Nick Senger, principal of SJV, and Fr. Oiland started a weekly engagement activity called “The SJV Family Read-along.” They email a short story and poem to each family on Friday, and then they record a conversation about the readings and publish it on the following Friday with the readings for the next week. They have already recorded several conversations and are prepared for the next set of readings to go out. Families are encouraged to read the stories and poems at home and discuss them over dinner or whenever they have time.

To view the archived videos and readings on their school website, please visit:

<https://johnvianney.com/readalong>



## FALL 2020

### St. Charles

Increased interest in a classical liberal arts education allowed for St. Charles to open an additional classroom for a 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> grade combo. Mrs. Schlaich and the school staff feel very blessed by this.



(Photo-preschooler, Ruby Braxton) Oktoberfest wasn't able to happen this year, or a visit to the pumpkin patch, but that didn't stop Charlie the pumpkin from stopping by. Charlie was home grown by Jami Glastre's (staff member of St. Charles) husband. Weighing in at 466 lbs, each child took a picture with Charlie and guessed its weight. Imagine the pumpkin pies that could be made from this gourd.

## Trinity

Trinity has an afterschool program designed to keep middle school students active, provide homework assistance, and check-in with social-emotional health. Mr. Ryan Sims, their 3rd-grade teacher runs this program.

A large food pantry, has been established and made possible because of the generosity of donors, to help families with healthy meals during COVID.



The school is gearing up for their first ever **Virtual Auction**, the **Trinity "Mask -a-Rade"**. This will be their 41<sup>st</sup> annual auction.



## St. Mary



For the first time, St. Mary's will be hiring a school counselor. This person will promote student success, provide preventative services, and respond to identified student needs. This will be a wonderful position to add to the school.

Students from PreK3-8<sup>th</sup> grade were able to participate in the annual Fun Run. Over a three-day period, small groups of kids ran during set times to make this a memorable success.



## All Saints



The students are excited to be back and as always looked forward to their annual Fun Run. They kicked off Friday, October 16th with their Hawaiian themed virtual Fun Run! Students were able to run, walk, bike, or hike a

distance assigned by grade level. Students were encouraged to dress up and use their imagination on their event and route in addition to soliciting donations for their event. The Fun Run ended on Sunday, October 25th.

All Saints will be recognizing all Veterans with their annual Veteran's Day program. They are unable to have their annual mass and brunch, however they will be recognizing them via posters, videos, website and Facebook.

## St. Aloysius

A 5th grade band class has been learning elements of music through notes and percussion. Mr. Sefton had the students learning the proper technique of holding a drum stick.



Hallowfest 2020 looked a little bit different this year, but hopefully still spread that St. Al's Hallowfest Spirit! Students had a selected time to attend and a virtual baking challenge. There was dancing, games, candy, prizes, and photo booths!! "It was so much FUN!" Way to keep the festive spirit alive!

## Holy Family-Clarkston

Did you know that Holy Family added a 7<sup>th</sup> grade class to their school this year? Based upon interest and enrollment they were able to add the new grade. So Awesome!

Father Jeff is cooking with middle school students once a month. For October, they split into teams of four. Together they built Pigs-in-a-Blanket and Apple Pie Biscuits, then they watched Fr. Jeff create a "spectacular pasta salad and give us hints on how to make each one special and remarkable." (Mrs. Gehring-Teacher 6/7 grade) They look forward to learning in the kitchen each month. I think it's safe to say that they have some full bellies and full hearts.

