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From the Headmaster



I'm happy to report that three students started classes at Lumen Christi this week. Peter Vanderhulst returned to Lumen Christi in fourth grade, and his brother Jude is in second grade. And Olivia Wells has

joined the kindergarten class. Welcome to Peter, Jude, and Olivia, and to the Vanderhulst and Wells families!

Cardinal Newman Society Honor Roll

Lumen Christi has been recognized as a **Catholic Education Honor Roll School** by the Cardinal Newman Society. Lumen Christi is one of the first K-12 schools on the honor roll, which historically included only high schools. This is a great honor for our school, and I am hopeful that it can help us communicate our strengths to prospective families and donors.

Lumen Christi is now listed on the Catholic Education Honor Roll on the Cardinal Newman Society web site, cardinalnewmansociety.org.



With this recognition we can include the logo at left on our school web site and marketing materials for the next 5 years.

We'll be publicizing this recognition in the coming days.

Thanks to Mary Rose Collins, who took the initiative to apply and worked hard on our application.

The Flame of Love for Lumen Christi Families

Lumen Christi Families are welcome to join the student body in learning about an extraordinary grace being poured out upon the world, and passed from soul to soul, called the Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

On Tuesday, March 6, the National Director of the Flame of Love Movement in the United States, Anthony Mullen, will be speaking to Lumen Christi students in Holy Rosary Church after the 7:30 Mass. Please feel free to share the event with others you know who might be interested in this movement. To learn more, please see the flyer in this Friday folder.

Holy Trinity Food Pantry Collection

Thanks to all who brought in spaghetti, sauce, and canned pasta during the first week of the food drive for the St. Anthony-Holy Trinity Food Pantry. Here is this week's message from Connie Merkel, a volunteer at the food pantry and a Lumen Christi grandparent:

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) – commonly known as “Food Stamps” – provides food assistance to low-income people and families in the United States. To qualify for SNAP, applicants must have *gross* income of no more than 130% of the poverty level. That works out to \$2665/month (\$31,980/year) for a family of four. In December 2017, 61,900 families in Marion County received SNAP benefits.

This program is designed to raise the nutritional level of low-income households. It enables families to buy nutritious food through Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) cards. A family can use their SNAP benefits on food *only*. They *cannot* use it to purchase hygiene or cleaning supplies. Those items are frequently requested at the food pantry and are often in short supply.

Please help us to restock our supplies of items such as **shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, body wash, shaving cream and disposable razors**. We see many veterans at the pantry who live in the neighborhood, and they are glad when we have shaving supplies!

Thank you for your generous donations.

Holy Trinity Food Pantry Collection

- **For the second week of Lent, we are collecting shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, body wash, shaving cream and disposable razors.**
- **Please drop them off in either elementary or high school office**
- ***Thank you so much for helping needy families!***

I hope to see you at the Family Night on Saturday (Feb. 24) from 6 to 8 pm.