

March 8, 2019

## From the Headmaster



Congratulations to the winners of our annual Shakespeare Contest: Anne-Marie Frisby—1st place, Grace Hatley—2nd place, and Nathan Hatley—3rd place. Kudos to all the students who presented their recitations for the whole

school. And thanks to Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Lazarus, and Miss Welch for organizing the contest and helping prepare the students, and to judges Mrs. Foulkes and Mrs. Sanders.

Fat Tuesday's pasta lunch was once again a great success, thanks to Mrs. Mascari and the wonderful help she has – Tory and Monica Lynch, Monica Lynch-Scheffel, Sara Butterfield, and Caroline Giedd. Special thanks to Holy Rosary for providing the food. Mrs. Mascari promises to cook more pasta next year!

## Lent at Lumen Christi

As we do every year, we will try to make Lent a special time of prayer and almsgiving through some regular practices at school. I want to mention a few so that you can talk about them with your children and participate as you are able:

- **Stations of the Cross**, each Fri. following 7:30 Mass
- **Eucharistic Adoration**, Wed. afternoons (Holy Rosary has Adoration each Wed. 12:30-5:30 year-round; teachers make a special effort to attend with their students each week in Lent.)
- **Food Drive for St. Anthony & Holy Trinity Food Pantry** – Please see the message at right. We'll be collecting particular items each week in boxes outside the main office and in the high school lobby.
- **Confessions**, Mon. Apr. 15, following 7:30 Mass (Students can go to confession any day before Mass; this is a special opportunity when both Fr. McCarthy and Fr. Newton will be available after Mass.)
- **Faculty Lenten Prayer Service**, Mon. Apr. 15, 12:45

## Coming Up Fast: FACTS Deadline March 15

Families who intend to request financial aid for the 2019-20 school year must complete applications through FACTS by **next Friday, March 15**, to ensure consideration.

***I'm looking forward to the Pueri Cantores Choir Festival tomorrow and the school play, The Scarlet Pimpernel, next Friday, Mar. 15!***

*Teaching the unity of faith and reason, through the Light that is Christ Jesus, for the formation of young Catholics in truth and virtue.*

## St. Anthony and Holy Trinity Food Drive

Again this year, Connie Merkel, a food pantry volunteer and Lumen Christi grandparent, will be providing weekly messages about the food pantry and particular needs to be addressed. Here's Connie's first message:

**The St. Anthony & Holy Trinity food pantry** is housed at St. Anthony Catholic Church. Originally it was the "Holy Trinity food pantry" located at Holy Trinity Church just about a mile away from its current location. In 2014 the parish closed and the pantry had to move and relocated to St. Anthony parish. In 2012 St. Barnabas parish began to partner with Holy Trinity to support the pantry. Many of the volunteers are from St. Barnabas and the parish donates much of the food. Together the parishes make it possible for families on the near west side to supplement their food options by visiting the pantry.

We welcome the Lumen Christi families' participation in helping the pantry keep the shelves stocked for the neighbors we serve. Some of the items we need include **pasta sauce, canned pasta, tuna, and soups**. THANK YOU!

## From Our Development Director: Fun Photos on Facebook

I have to confess that I don't love Facebook, but I do post a lot of fun photos and event information on both our Lumen Christi Catholic School Facebook page and our Lumen Christi Catholic High School page, so you might want to check it out! There's even a video of the 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade choir from Ash Wednesday. God Bless! Ellen

## A Word about Fundraisers

Speaking of development, I just want to add a few words about fundraisers at Lumen Christi. We try to limit the number of times we ask families to contribute or help out with fundraisers. But it's important to remember why we have fundraisers – and especially the Annual Appeal and the Annual Dinner. The money we raise through these efforts is absolutely essential to funding our school and making it possible to hold down tuition and improve teacher salaries. We count on our families to help out with these ambitious efforts as they are able to do so.

As we get closer to the Annual Dinner, I want to thank all those who have been working so hard to pull it off, and encourage everyone to help make it a big success for the sake of our school, our families and our teachers. (It will also be a lot of fun.)