

March 9, 2018

From the Headmaster



Congratulations to our Geography Bee winner Nicolas Gurdian, who has qualified for the state-level competition of the National Geographic Bee. The Indiana State Bee will take place on April 6. Good luck!

Thanks to Emily Brammer for helping to arrange the visit of the National Director of the Flame of Love Movement. Anthony Mullen spoke to Lumen Christi students after Mass on Tuesday and shared the Flame of Love devotion.

Archdiocesan Visit to Lumen Christi: A team from the Archdiocesan Office of Catholic Schools will visit next Thursday, Mar 15. They are primarily interested in our Catholic identity and teaching, so I'm not worried! But I want us to show our very best side, so please make sure your children are in uniform and encourage them to be on their best behavior that day.

Key Dates: In today's Friday folder, you'll find a sheet listing key dates for the 2018-19 school year. We'll start a week later than we did this year, and the school year will go a few days past Memorial Day. As you make family plans, please try to avoid taking your children out of school on scheduled class days.

Financial Aid Reminder: Families who intend to request financial aid for the 2018-19 school year must complete applications through FACTS by Mar. 16. If you have any questions, please contact me. Thanks to those who have already applied.

Catholic Radio: If you contribute to Catholic Radio during its annual "Shareathon" next week, you can also give Lumen Christi some free publicity. Everyone who makes a donation, even a small one, can give a shout-out for their school or parish and/or offer a prayer request. If you call to make a donation during the morning hours (6:30-9:00) on Tuesday, Mar. 13, you can highlight our school's recognition by The Cardinal Newman Society, plug our Annual Dinner, or say whatever you want to promote Lumen Christi. By the way, Catholic Radio is currently running a free ad spot featuring 2016 grad Sam Rosko for the Annual Dinner.

Schoolbelles at Lumen Christi March 21

As announced last summer, beginning in 2018-19, all khaki pants and shorts must be from Schoolbelles. To assist parents, a representative from Schoolbelles will be here 2:30-4:30 on Wednesday, March 21, with a variety of pants and fleece for students to try on.

In response to comments we've received, Mrs. Barnes has done a lot of research into possible alternatives, and the administrative team has decided to stick with the Schoolbelles policy. Kris will be happy to talk with you about what she found.

We have made one modification to the dress code rules – navy blue sweaters from Schoolbelles will be permitted for girls, along with Lumen Christi fleece tops and sweatshirts and plain navy blue sweatshirts.

Holy Trinity Food Pantry Collection

Thanks to all who have contributed so far to the food drive for the St. Anthony-Holy Trinity Food Pantry. Here is this week's message from Connie Merkel:

Last week I mentioned that the pantry puts a prayer in the bags of each family we serve. On the back of the prayer is information about St. Anthony parish and the Mass schedule to encourage them to consider coming to church. Perhaps your family can share this prayer and pray for the pantry.

Dear Lord,

God our sustainer, we ask you to pour your powerful Spirit into all who are empty this day. Fill the hearts of persons who are troubled. Fill the minds of men and women who are confused. Fill the stomachs of your children who are hungry. Fill the souls of people who are feeling lost. Fill the lives of all who need you but do not know you.

May your Spirit fill us all to overflowing, dear Lord, and may we be inspired to share our abundance with others so that there will be no more empty hearts, minds, stomachs and souls.

We pray all this in the name of Jesus Christ, who fills our lives with your endless grace. AMEN

If you can share some **tuna, peanut butter, jelly, and cereal** with the pantry this next week, it will be much appreciated. THANK YOU!