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Special points of interest:

- November 1st is a holy day.
- Have you looked outside to see God's beauty?
- When was the last time you forgave an enemy?
- Are the example you show what you want your kids to follow?

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October—Rosary Month

We are well underway to a year here at PRE. We have some new faces and lots of returning faces.

With a month down, the next months will go by

just as fast. So, I will try and keep everyone posted on items that are going on in PRE by either texting or by this newsletter so I hope everyone takes a little bit of time to read this.

I can tell you that a use couple things may change in the calendar but I will try to point this out in the body of the newsletter plus try to change the color so it

stands out a bit for you.

Another reminder, if your child does not feel well, please text me before 6 PM to let me know they are not going



Which direction does the Lord want us to go? His direction!!

to attend PRE. Also it is best to keep them home so we do not spread these germs. We want everyone to remain heathy and we can only do this by staying home when we are not feeling well and having good hand washing hygiene.

Another reminder, if HPS has a schedule no school on a Wednesday, PRE will still be going on. The only way there would be no PRE is if there is a weather reason that would cancel school or make school close early. Then there would be no PRE.

Let's make this year a great one!!!!!

Prayers

I will be working on testing out your child throughout the year but keep in mind, I did not get parents to step up to help teach, so I am in the classroom teaching Confirmation, so getting kids tested out may be a

bit harder this year. I will do my best to try and get testing in three times but it might be a bit hard. I will send home where each child is at. I ask that you work with your child at home to help them learn their

prayers.

I always say, it is easier to learn one prayer at a time vs learning all the prayers at one time in order to make our First Communion or to be Confirmed.

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You should love your God with all your heart., with all your soul and all your mind.

Would a stranger know you are a Christian by your Love?

Confirmation

Confirmation will be here before we know it. Kids know what is expected out of them.

Here is what you parents need to know:

Make sure you are working on the Faith Service hours. Easier to get them done now then at the end.

Discuss who their sponsor should be.

Talk about what Saint they want to have as part of their name. Find one that fits them—meaning what does that Saint and your child have in common.

Think about the dress code: Girls—dresses or dress shirt and skirt. No revealing top. No spaghetti strap top. Boys—dress shirt with a tie. Dress pants. Dress shoes or good boots are allowed. Heydudes are not dress shoes.

BAZAAR

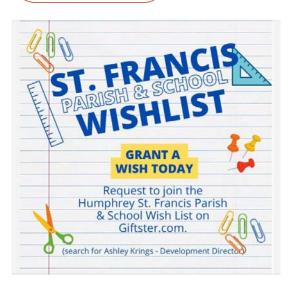
The Bazaar was October 6. If you have a child in the 7th grade to a senior, their name was give to the parish to have them work a job at the bazaar. If your child was unable to work the time that is assigned to them, it was asked that they switch with someone. It takes everyone to make the bazaar a success. I hope you all did your part to make this a success.

I did walk around and look at the work schedules to make sure all PRE kids have shown up for their jobs. The shifts are usually no longer than two hours and the time does honestly go by fast.

The full list of the jobs was in the bulletin the week before the bazaar.

There were several of you that showed up and did your job but there were some that did not.

GIFTSTER



You may ask me what is Giftster? This is a new site that has been created by the parish for all areas of the school, parish, daycare and PRE program to list items that they are looking for their area. Listed on this site is items that each teacher or person within the parish is looking for to use in their classroom or office. You can go on there to see if you want to purchase anything.

If you would like to view this, please text me and I will get you the log in site as I can put it in the newsletter, but it does it as a link and since you cannot click on the link on a paper newsletter, it does not help me to put it in here.

PRE does have items out there that we are looking to have here at the program.

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2024-2025 Yearly Schedule

Sept 4 First night of class Jan 1 — HAPPY NEW YEAR **NO CLASS** Ian 8 — Class Sept 11 Class Jan 15 — Class Sept 18 Class Jan 22 — Class Sept 25 Mass Jan 29 — Mass Oct 2 Class Oct 6— Bazaar Feb 5 — Class Feb 12 — Class Oct 9 — Class Feb 19 — Class Oct 16 — Class Oct 23 — Mercy Meal Feb 26 — Class Oct 30 — Mass March 5 — Ash Wednesday — Mass Nov 6 — Class March 12 — Confessions Nov 13 — Class March 19 — Class Nov 20 — Class March 23 — Confirmation 2 PM @ Humphrey Nov 27 — No Class HAPPY TURKEY DAY March 26 — Class Dec 4 — Class April 2 — Class Dec 11 — Confessions April 9 — Class Dec 20 — Class/Christmas Party April 16 — Class Dec 25 — MERRY CHRISTMAS NO CLASS April 20 — Easter April 23 — Mass April 24 — Class/Last night of class May 4 — First Communion

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What was the last book you read. Have you thought about the Bible? It has lots of good short stories.

If you forget where you miss placed the PRE Newsletter, find it on the St. Francis website.



I hope you would invite Jesus in for a cup of tea.

Circle of Grace

You have seen your child has brought home a couple papers after Mass on Oct 4. We went over Circle of Grace.

Now you might ask what Circle of Grace is? Well I make it very basic for anyone from Kindergarten to Confirmation kids will understand. What we talked about is that we are not to keep secrets if an adult person told us not to tell mom or dad or anyone. The only time we could keep a secret is if it was for a surprise birthday party.

I told them that we need to listen to our tummies and if our tummies give us a sad face or a scared face then it is not a good thing.

Students were told they can come to us teachers or any adult they see. Even if it was outside of PRE we would listen.

Circle of Grace just wants kids aware that if someone is touching you or asking you to do something that is not morally right, they are to come tell someone. That is where they need to listen to their tummies.

I also told them that people should not get in our bubble. Our bubble space is the space when we outstretch our arms and turn around and as far above our head our finger tips reach, that is our bubble circle. People should only enter if we allow them to.

The Archdiocese requires that we teach it to our students. So if you have more questions on this, please reach out to me and I will explain more.

Mercy Meals

I just love it when I have kids that come to me and ask me if this is the year they get to go back to Mercy Meals. I love their excitement to go and help make meals to help fight world hunger.

We will need to leave Humphrey on October 23 at 6 PM so we can get there by 6:30 PM. We will be packaging packets for $1\ 1/2$ hour. We will leave Norfolk at 8 PM getting us back to Humphrey at 8:30 PM.

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