

A Word from Father Victor ...



The Works of Mercy

The works of mercy are charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbor in his spiritual and bodily necessities. Instructing, advising, consoling, comforting are spiritual works of mercy, as are forgiving and bearing wrongs patiently. The corporal works of mercy consist especially in feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned, and burying the dead. Among all of these, giving alms to the poor is one of the chief witnesses to fraternal charity: it is also a work of justice pleasing to God.

In its various forms...human misery is the obvious sign of the inherited condition of frailty. And need for salvation in which man finds himself as a consequence of original sin. This misery elicited the compassion of Christ the Savior, who willingly took it upon himself and identified himself with the least of his brethren. Hence, those who are oppressed by poverty are the object of a *preferential love* on the part of the Church which, since her origin and in spite of the failings of many of her members, has not ceased to work for their relief, defense, and liberation through numerous works of charity which remain indispensable always and everywhere. (Catechism of the Catholic Church 2447-2448)

Corporal Works of Mercy

- To feed the hungry
- To give drink to the thirsty
- To clothe the naked
- To shelter the homeless
- To visit the sick
- To visit the imprisoned
- To bury the dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy

- To instruct the ignorant
- To counsel the doubtful
- To admonish sinners
- To bear wrongs patiently
- To forgive offences willingly
- To comfort the afflicted
- To pray for the living and the dead

Taken from the Word Among Us

Catholic Services Appeal

I received this from Jennifer Beaudry, CSA Director concerning some of the good work done by CSA.

Hi all,

We just received this great video of Bill Dill at the Archdiocesan Marriage, Family and Life Offices talking about the "Snow Mass" on the Pennsylvania turnpike. Bill led the group of students who went to the 2016 March for Life in Washington, DC. and then ended up stuck in the snow. This is amazing work being done by the Office of Marriage, Family and Life and this is just one example of Catholic Services Appeal dollars at work!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gnjPlcmlBZM>

Thanks, Jennifer

Please go to www.csafspm.org to read more about the ministries benefitted by the 2016 Appeal.

St. Patrick Religious Ed Youth

are collecting COATS, SCARVES, HATS & MITTENS for St. Vincent de Paul in Faribault. Please bring new or very gently used items to St. Patrick and put them in the COAT BOX, found in the narthex by the display case. They especially need of kids coats.



Knights of Columbus 889 Korner



(17 Third Street NE – Ph.507.334.4918)

The K of C is not just a fraternity in name. It is a brotherhood of Catholic men who each play a part in improving the world around them, one community at a time. They stand together in faith, while lending their support and strength to parish, home and fellow Knight. Ask a Knight for more information. Reach us at fariboknights@gmail.com.

Every Friday night during Lent, the Faribault KC will host a fish dinner at the KC Hall (17 NE 3rd St.). All you can eat fried or baked fish, baked potato, vegetable and salad bar for \$12.50. Serving from 5:30pm to 7:00pm.

All You Can Eat Fish Fry – Lonsdale American Legion on Friday, February 12th Serving Handbattered Fish, Cheesy Potatoes, Coleslaw, Green Beans, Dessert, Beverage from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. Take-outs Available Cost: Adults: \$12 in advance (\$13 at the door) Age 5-12: \$4 Under 5 Free. Tickets available at: Holy Cross Catholic School, Country Market, Jessy Food Mart in Lonsdale. Benefit for Holy Cross School.

Sweetheart Breakfast –

St. Canice Church Hall, Kilkenny, Sunday, February 14th Serving Pancakes, Sausage, & Eggs from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Cost: Adults: \$8, Age 6-12: \$3 Under 5 Free. Sponsored by Parish Members.



We're having a party/fundraiser

to fund the new Youth Center and Indoor Playground at the Village in Waterville! (the old Good Samaritan building.) There will be a chili feed competition, games, a silent auction and so much more.

When: Sunday February 28, 2016 from 3 to 7p.m.

Where: The Village in Waterville / 205 1st St N

Tickets: Adults - \$10, Kids - \$5, Under Age 3 Free

Southwest Deanery CCW News

Spiritual Day – Sat. March 19th at St. Andrew Church in Elysian. Cost \$5.00. Registration at 8:30 a.m. Day is done about 1:00 p.m. Join our Retreat for the Lenten Season. Bring items for the Silent Auction (baked goods, crafts, etc). Call Denise Haaland if you would like to attend.

Area Catholic Schools ...



Bethlehem Academy
105 Third Ave. SW, Faribault
507.334.3948
www.bacards.org

**Divine Mercy
Catholic School**

www.dmcs.cc
507-334-7706.



DIVINE MERCY
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Most Holy Redeemer School
(Pre-K - 8th Grade)
205 Vine Ave West, Montgomery
(507)364-7383 507.364.7383
(mosthrs.org)

What beautiful readings we enjoyed for Sunday's kick-off for Catholic Schools Week! Listening to Rachel Rynda read First Corinthians 13, I was reminded again of what an opportunity we have at HRS for students to learn in a context that allows them to develop their minds and their hearts; to advance in math, art, and all of the other academic areas -- and to speak of faith, hope, and love.

"So faith, hope, love remain, these three; but the greatest of these is love." -- 1 Corinthians 13:12-13

Geography Bee Congratulations to the HRS Geography Bee Champion Thomas Bulger. and to all the participants and alternates!

Spelling Bee - Congratulations to Elle Zvanovec, 1st place, Megan Odenthal, 2nd place, Gr. K-3; and to Ben Heyda, 1st place, and Abby Rutt, 2nd place, Gr. 4-8. Congratulations to all of the contestants!

American Legion & Auxiliary Essay & Poster Contest
The American Legion Auxiliary is sponsoring an "Americanism Essay Contest" for students grades 3-8 and a U.S. Flag Poster Contest for Grades 1 - 6. Stop in the office or see your teacher for more information and an application.

Special Thanks - Dick Peroutka for hauling snow for the school's Snow Sculpture Contest.

Family Fun Night - This Friday!!! HRS is seeking donations for Family Fun Night on Friday, February 5. If you are able to donate, we ask that you have your items at the school by Friday morning, February 5. Any items are welcome, including cash donations. Thank You.

I Love to Read Month - February 3-9 - Activities:

Feb. 3 - Read for 20 minutes.

Feb. 4 - Make a fort and read a book inside

Feb. 5 - Read aloud a book with lots of expression.

Feb. 6 - Read a non-fiction book or article.

Feb. 7 - Read a story and then invent a new title.

Feb. 8 - Read for 30 minutes.

Feb. 9 - Read a recipe for a meal you want to make.

Catholic Schools Raffle - tickets are available from any of the HRS families, HRS Office, St. Patrick Church Office, Holy Redeemer Church at Masses.

PHOTO CONTEST - Calling all Catholic School Parents and Alumni! - Snap a Catholic School Photo Category 1: Photos with people (students, teachers, staff, etc.)

Category 2: Photos without people (buildings, school, grounds, etc.)

Enter the Photo Contest by April 15, 2016

Photos can be emailed to

CATHOLICSCHOOLSPHOTOCONTEST@GMAIL.COM

- include the name of the school pictured in the body of the email

- each entrant may submit only 1 photo per category (2 photos total)

Prizes awarded to 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place winners in each category

As always, please feel free to email or call me with any thoughts or concerns.

Mr. Vondracek, Principal - vondracek@mosthrs.org

Victorian Clothing Display
by Arleen Roberts
at
Arts & Heritage Center
206 1st Street N
Montgomery, MN



Jan 7 - Feb 27
Thursday 2-5
Friday 2-5
Saturday 9-noon

Admission: Free
(please sign the
guest book)