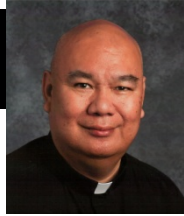




## A Word from Father Victor ...



Sign up to be  
an organ donor!



January 29, 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This week we celebrate Catholic Schools week at Most Holy Redeemer School. What significance is it to have a parish school? Most of the time the significance of a school is seen only on its financial impact to the parish. I invite you to think about what is the significance of a school to a parish?

Let us go back to the very essence of being a parish community. At the core of our mission is faith formation. It is our work as a church to make Christ known and strengthen our relationship with him and with one another. The kind of work that we do is formative. To make Christ known is both intellectual and relational. At a Catholic school, children are formed to become wholesome persons, intellectually competent, personally strong and morally and spiritually equipped. At a Catholic school we form students to integrate knowledge of science and faith in God. It helps them to embrace what they learn and appreciate the gifts of God. In our catholic schools, it is not only intellectual but also values formation. It is a formation of both the mind and the heart. This integral formation that is done at Most Holy Redeemer school is priceless. This work is a work of formation. The school makes a parish alive to its very essence: to make Christ known and to form strong and faithful believers of our Lord Jesus Christ.

To attain the beatitudes that Christ taught his disciples called for an intellectual and spiritual formation. To become wholesome and strong persons we must fill the mind intellectually and form the heart spiritually and morally. The prophet Zephaniah tells us that those who seek the truth, the justice and the love of God are a people knowledgeable and honest, powerful yet humble, strong with a heart for others and merciful and just.

WE are called to act in justice,

WE are called to love tenderly,

WE are called to serve one another,

To walk humble with God.

That calls not just of education but more importantly, formation.

**Next Baptism Class – 6:30 p.m.**  
**Wednesday, Feb 1st at Holy Redeemer Church**  
**in Montgomery.** Classes are required IF this is your first child or it has been more than 2 years since your last class. Call Montgomery to register 507.364.7981.



**St. Pat's Blood Drive**  
**Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**1:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

Go to [Redcrossblood.org](http://Redcrossblood.org) or call the parish office. Supplies are dangerously low!



**2016 St. Patrick Financial  
Contribution Statements are  
now available. Ask an usher.**

## Religious Ed News ...



WE ARE COLLECTING COATS, SCARVES, MITTENS, & HATS for St. Vincent DePaul 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. **Sue McDonough** will deliver them to St. Vincent. Thank you in advance for your donation.

## RE Fundraising activities!

**Grade 8 & 9 – January 28/29 - Bake Sale**

## Food for Kidz

**Grade 5 & 6 – February 4/5 – Soup Sale**

*(Souper Bowl Sunday)*

We would love to have the help of our whole parish, any visitors and friends help us at our upcoming Food For Kidz pack the afternoon of **Saturday, February 11, 2017** at St. Patrick. If you would like to help with at the event, please sign up at the Food For Kidz Table or contact Denise Flicek at [deniseflicek@yahoo.com](mailto:deniseflicek@yahoo.com) 612-743-5138. Food will be available for all workers.

**Sign-up for the tasks and times you would like:**

Set-up, Food Packing, Photographer, Food Preparation and Clean-up. times listed on sign-up

Our goal is to raise \$30 per packer. If you can help with a monetary donation, place donations in the 'Food For Kidz' can, located in the narthex. To learn more about the organization check website: [www.foodforkidz.org](http://www.foodforkidz.org) OR [facebook.com/FoodforKidz](https://www.facebook.com/FoodforKidz)

## **CPR REFRESHER**

**Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>**

This training is open to anyone from the parish needing to renew their CPR Certification for work or personal use. It is **HIGHLY RECOMMENDED** for ALL St. Patrick **USHERS & GREETERS** and other ministers.



**Tickets for the Catholic Schools Raffle can be purchased in the St. Patrick Office. Cost is \$5 each.**



## Most Holy Redeemer Catholic School

(Pre-K - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
205 Vine Ave West, Montgomery  
(507)364-7383 ([mosthrs.org](http://mosthrs.org))

**Catholic schooling is so special.** In a piece from *U.S. Catholic*, columnist Ed Wojcicki writes why he and his wife are happy they chose Catholic schooling for their now-grown children. In Catholic school, he said, their children “learned about the world through a lens filtered by charity, the greatest virtue of all.” Like the teachers of Mr. Wojcicki’s children, HRS teachers value the opportunity to integrate faith experiences, love of God, & love of neighbor into the child’s education.

**What a treat to mark the 130th Anniversary** of Most Holy Redeemer’s commitment to Catholic Education and, at the same time, to launch Catholic Schools Week. Please review the events and times listed below and plan to celebrate HRS -- its past, present and future!

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK Jan. 28 - Feb. 3  
IT’S A CELEBRATION!**

**Saturday, January 28** *Holy Redeemer School’s 130 years of Catholic Education - HRS Building*

- Celebration begins following the 5 p.m. Mass
- Food - Music - Games - Memories - Tours
- Former Staff Reunion
- Singing Angels Reunion

**Sunday, January 29** - Mass: 10:30 a.m. - All families invited. HRS students participate in Mass & Singing Angels sing. Student Dress: Dress Up

**Monday, January 30 - National Day of Service** Buddy Activity (*make valentines for service members & elderly*); Parent/Grandparent Lunch at 11:30 a.m.; All School Reading until 12:30 p.m.; Jr High Science Fair. Student Dress: ‘Spirit Wear’

**Tuesday, January 31 - Spelling Bee**

8:30 a.m. – Gr. 4 - 8); 10 a.m. – Gr. K - 3; Parent/Grandparent Lunch - 11:30 a.m.; All School Reading until 12:30 p.m. Student Dress: ‘Class T-shirts’

**Wednesday, February 1 - HRS 8:15 a.m. Mass** - Chess/Checkers Tournament; Lyceum - I Love to Read Month: Kick-off at 12:30 p.m. Student Dress: Regular uniform day

**Thursday, February 2 - Shadow Day** Students bring friend to spend day at HRS; Lyceum - “Jump Rope for Heart” at 12:30 p.m.; Chess/Checkers Tournament; Student Dress: ‘Hat Day’

**Friday, Feb. 3 - Chess/Checkers Tournament** Pizza & Movie – Noon, Student Dress: ‘Pajama Day’

**Catholic Schools Raffle** HRS is again participating in Catholic United Financial Raffle, January 13 - February 26. Ticket cost is \$5. 100% of ticket sales stay at Holy Redeemer. Purchase ticket after Masses, from a HRS parent, in the school or St. Patrick Church office.

As always, please feel free to email or call me with any thoughts or concerns. Thank you –  
Mr. Vondracek, [gvondracek@mosthrs.org](mailto:gvondracek@mosthrs.org)

**Holy Redeemer School, Montgomery** is looking for recyclable paper (blank on one side) to use for copying student worksheets, etc. Please drop off in St Patrick office. Thank you!



*Bethlehem*  
ACADEMY  
THE MIRACLE IS HERE!

## Bethlehem Academy

105 Third Ave. SW, Faribault  
507.334.3948 [ww.bacards.org](http://ww.bacards.org)

## Divine Mercy Catholic School

[www.dmcs.cc](http://www.dmcs.cc)  
507-334-7706.



## 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 info or contact us at [fariboknights@gmail.com](mailto:fariboknights@gmail.com).

**St. Vincent DePaul Fundraiser** Drawing at KC Hall, 8 p.m. on March 4, 2017. Only 250 tickets sold. \$2,900 in prizes. Tickets: \$50 and available at KC Hall or from John McDonough.

**KC Auxiliary:** The Valentine meeting of the KC Ladies Auxiliary will be held Thursday Feb 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 P.M. at the KC Hall. A light supper served with meeting to follow.

**Bring Your Sweetheart to Breakfast** at St. Canice Church Hall on Sunday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>. Serving sausages, pancakes, & eggs, 8:30 a.m. – Noon. Proceeds benefit St. Canice Church, Kilkenny. Sponsored by Parish Members.

**IRIS 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Pancake Breakfast** at Faribault American Legion on Sunday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>. Serving sausages, pancakes, & eggs, 8:00 a.m. – Noon. **BINGO** 1:00 – 3:30 p.m. Cash Prizes ALL AGES WELCOME! **Silent Auction** runs 8:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. and ends during BINGO break. **Bake Sale** 8:00 a.m. until sold out!

**Pancake & Sausage Breakfast** at St. Catherine of Spring Lake (by Prior Lake) on Sunday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>. Serving sausages, pancakes, & eggs, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Everyone Welcome!!

**SW Deanery Council of Catholic Women  
2017 Spiritual Day  
Saturday, March 4, 2017  
7:30 am – 1 pm  
Our Lady of the Prairie Parish –  
Belle Plaine  
200 East Church St. – Bell Plaine, MN  
Cost: \$8.00  
DEEPENING YOUR RELATIONSHIP  
with JESUS CHRIST**

- 7:30 am - Registration/Check in  
\*Please register by February 27 with  
St. Pats President Jeanette Wasilowski or Denise  
Haaland  
8:00 am - Rosary (Confessions available)  
8:30 am - Mass  
9:15 am - Break with Coffee/Refreshments/  
Check Out the Silent Auction  
- Speaker: Michelle Gelineau –  
- Break/Check Out the Silent Auction  
- Women of Mercy: Living the Corporal  
Works of Mercy  
- Lenten Corporal Works of Mercy  
Commitment Tree  
12:15 pm - LUNCH  
- Announce Silent Auction Winners  
- Closing Prayer

Each parish is asked to bring something for the Silent Auction. Bring baked goodies, hand crafted items, or other items someone will just want to take home. All proceeds will go to benefit SW Deanery Parish Youth Programs.

**Celebrating World Marriage Day**

To all married couples: There will be a wonderful opportunity to do something special with your spouse the Weekend of Feb. 10-12. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is coming to St. Wenceslaus Parish in New Prague. Whether you are married 6 months or 60 years, this is a weekend where you can spend “quality time” together away from the distractions of everyday life. The Weekend is for “Good” marriages who want to make them even better. For more info and registration, visit [twincitieswwme.org](http://twincitieswwme.org) or call 612-226-8378, Dick & Mary Jo Hruby.

**Give each other and your family a Valentine gift that keeps giving for generations to come!** Sign up for the February 18-19 Marriage Encounter. Register at [www.marriages.org](http://www.marriages.org). Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington. Visit [www.marriages.org](http://www.marriages.org) for additional dates and information or call 651.454.3238.

**Archdiocesan Discernment Events**

**For Women:**

**Miriam Dinner - Tuesday, Feb. 7 - 6 – 8 p.m.**

The Miriam Dinner, hosted by Archbishop Bernard Hebda and Bishop Andrew Cozzens, is an event for women, ages 16 – 35, who are discerning consecrated life. It is typical for women discerners to be accompanied by their Pastor, Consecrated Religious, or Youth Minister. The evening begins with prayer, followed by dinner with consecrated women sharing their vocation testimonies..

**Women’s Discernment Retreat**

**Saturday, February 18 - 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

**Nativity of Mary, Bloomington**

Registration is online for women, ages 16 – 35, who have a genuine interest in learning more or to gain a deeper understanding of consecrated life! Bishop Andrew Cozzens will celebrate Mass and give a talk this year! The retreat day includes consecrated women sharing their vocation stories, along with opportunities to chat and ask questions. Discover the steps to discernment, learn more about yourself, and listen to God speak to your heart. Lunch will be provided. Cost is a free-will donation.

**For MEN:**

**Men’s Discernment Group**

**Saturday Morning’s – February 4 – March 11**

**8 a.m. Mass, 8:30 -10:30 Discussion**

**St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church**

**2739 Stinson Boulevard, St. Anthony, MN**

**No Registration Required!**

Fr. David Blume, Director of Vocations, invites Juniors in High School to age 30, to join in discerning God’s call for their life. The group will discuss the book, “To Save a Thousand Souls”. Book is provided to all you come. No registration necessary! Questions, call Vocations Office.

**Vianney Visit February 9 – 11**

**Begins with Registration Thursday, 4 – 6 p.m.**

**Concludes Saturday, 11 a.m.**

**St. John Vianney College Seminary**

Vianney Visit provides high school sophomores through college age men (ages 16-24) the opportunity to take a closer look and experience college seminary. Attend Mass, prayer, and spiritual conferences with SJV priests and hear testimonies from SJV seminarians. No charge. All meals provided. Register online, call 651-962-6825

**Operation Andrew Dinner**

**Thursday, March 9 6 – 8 p.m.**

Bishop Cozzens and Fr David Blume, Director of Vocations, invite men discerning priesthood, ages 16 – 50, to dinner and conversation with vocations testimonials on priesthood/religious life. A pastor, religious or youth minister accompanies each discerning guest. Register online by March 6.

**For any events you can contact Fr. David Blume Director of Vocations. Father Blume can be reached at 651-962-6890 or by emailing [stpaulpriest@10000vocations.org](mailto:stpaulpriest@10000vocations.org).**