St. Luke, pray for us! Tilma News 10/18/23

Virtue of the Month: Studiousness (Seeking knowledge to grow closer to the Truth)

"Make me to know Your ways, O Lord; teach me Your paths." (Psalm 25:4)

Latin saying for the Month - "Repetitio mater studiorum." ("Repetition is the mother of learning!" -Latin proverb)

Prayer Meetings - Thank you to Mrs. Keith for hosting a prayer group in her home dedicated to praying for the intentions of our school, especially for a new property where we can continue to grow. If you are interested in joining her on Wednesdays at 8:30 am, please reach out at 703-400-1002.

RAFFLE - Keep Selling! We have sold 80 out of 250, so 170 tickets to go!! Remember: Possible Thanksgiving week off! Drawing is Fri, Oct 27; prize is \$2,000, winner takes all! THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE SOLD THEIR TICKETS!

WELCOME FAMILY PICNIC - The Case family will be hosting the Welcome Family Picnic at their home on Saturday evening, October 28! Please **PLAN ON ATTENDING!**

ARCHERY HAS BEGUN - Practices on Tuesdays at Ops after school. Contact Mrs. Van Dy or Mrs. Hornback with any questions!

END OF 1ST QUARTER: This Friday, October 20! Grades will go out at the end of next week.

UNIFORM CODE: *Please be sure that your children are honoring the uniform policy.* Girls should still have shorts over tights if in a skirt and should not be wearing dangling earrings; all boys from 1st grade up should wear a belt and the corresponding tie for their age. Please read the Student-Parent Handbook for reminders. The purpose of a uniform policy is to promote self-discipline, school unity, school spirit, and allow students to focus on what matters, i.e., learning! Our emphasis is on WHOLESOMENESS! Thank you!

STUDENT PLANNERS: The school spends a good amount of money every year to purchase uniform student planners for the students, which are both academic tools and homework organizers. All students from 1st grade up should bring home the planners with their homework written inside EVERY DAY. Please be sure they have them when they get home and are returning them to school every day. (1st graders may just be starting this, so no worries there!)

CRUSADER SPIRIT WEAR THURSDAYS BEGIN TOMORROW - For the rest of the year, as a fundraiser for the school, we will be celebrating SPIRIT WEAR THURSDAYS! What this means is that students can wear a spirit wear t-shirt, sweatshirt, sports shirt or hoodie, for \$1 each and tennis shoes for \$2. They can even wear CORPUS CHRISTI sweats, but for \$2! If they would like to wear a Corpus Christi hat, they may do that as well but for \$5. This type of fundraiser helps offset the costs of miscellaneous expenses that come into play throughout the year.

CATHOLIC CLASSICAL EDUCATION - At the center of a classical curriculum is the in-depth study of Scriptures, the Word of God, e.g., ALL students learn the story of God's plan in salvation history and memorize all the Bible books.

ALL SAINTS DAY - ALL STUDENTS are being asked to bring in a costume of their favorite saint on Wed, Nov 1 to change into after lunch/recess! This does not need to be elaborate only REPRESENTATIVE of who they are. PLEASE ENCOURAGE THIS! ALL OF US ARE CALLED TO BE SAINTS, NOT JUST THE LITTLE ONES! Thank you for supporting our efforts!

BENEFACTORS needed - Please remember us in your will and even now! If you are interested in supporting a student, albeit anonymously with some of their tuition or other needs, please contact Mrs. Fehder. ALL DONATIONS are TAX DEDUCTIBLE!

TILMA FACT - Local cloth made from woven cactus fibers lasts about a decade at most. The tilma is almost five hundred years old, and has been on display in public daily.

Celebration of the month of the Holy Rosary - Last Friday, we had the tremendous blessing of being able to hear the story of how Fr. Bartholomew came to know and love the Holy Rosary! In short, he was attracted to it for its beauty and prayerfulness, but at times had difficulty with it because of the amount of time it took to say it. In the end, he felt called to join the Dominicans, where it is required that they say 3 mysteries of the rosary every day and even wear the rosary on their belt, where historically a sword would have been placed. It seems Our Lady knew what he needed and he is VERY HAPPY! Thank you to Fr. Bartholomew for sharing that part of his vocation!







