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Our Lady of Guadalupe, Pray for us!

Tilma News 12/12/24

Virtue of the Month: Purity (Acting with right intention)

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.” (Matthew 5:8)

Question for Reflection: *Am I acting out of love for God or for my own desires?*

IGIVECATHOLIC.ORG - We collected \$10,815! THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTED!

BLANKET SHELBY COUNTY - TO DATE, WE HAVE COLLECTED 75 BLANKETS! PLEASE KEEP SENDING THEM IN! Blankets from your closets are also good!

Goal: 200 blankets. We would like 50 of these to be the fleece blankets with the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe!

CHRISTMAS BOOK EXCHANGE - ONCE AGAIN, I HAVE POSTED THE BOOK LISTS BELOW!

UNIFORM EXCHANGE - *On Dec 19 at 2:40, parents are invited to come in to the Parish Hall to peruse our donated school uniforms to find what you might need or be missing for the upcoming semester and even the upcoming year! That are all labelled and categorized for your convenience. This will open up needed space in the school office. At the same time, please feel free to bring in any outgrown uniforms that you have and/or children’s hangers, if you have them!*

ART CLASSES - We still need a Montessori Assistant to have ART!

Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) - It is time to apply for financial aid. Please do so before Christmas Break.

DECEMBER CALENDAR:

Dec 13 (Fri) - PE and Spirit Wear Day (\$5 donation/student)

Dec 17 (Tues) - Last ALL-SCHOOL MASS before Christmas Break at 2pm (preceded by Confessions)

Dec 18 (Wed) - All School Advent Program at 2pm (Boys may wear red ties; Girls red hair ribbons; All may wear red scarves.)

Dec 19 (Thurs) - Last Pizza Day before Christmas Break; All-School Christmas Book Exchange at 2pm

Dec 20 (Fri) - Last day of school before Christmas Break; Last day to send in blankets for Blanket Shelby Co distribution!

SPIRIT WEAR DAY (\$5 donation/student).

JAN 14 (Tues) - STUDENTS RETURN FROM BREAK

JAN 17 (Fri) - 2nd Quarter ends

Tilma Fact -

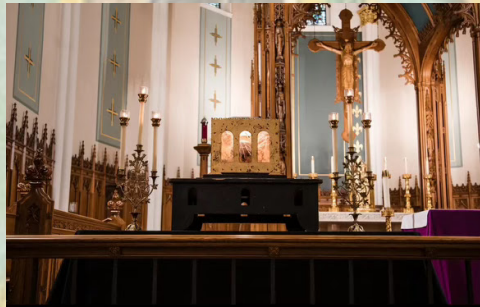


**OUR LADY
OF
GUADALUPE
FACTS**

- Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared to Saint Juan Diego on December 9, 10 and 12, 1531.
- The image left on Saint Juan Diego's tilma is the only true picture of Our Lady of Guadalupe in existence.
- The image has remained intact with all its original vibrancy for 475 years. The natural lifespan of a cloak made with fiber from the agave or maguey plant is only about 30 years.
- The image is a pictograph which could be read and understood by the Aztec Indians.
- Our Lady appears as a beautiful young Indian maiden and Queen.
- Her eyes are looking down with humility and compassion. She is human, not God.
- She is wearing a blue-green mantle (the color worn by royalty) covered with stars.
- The stars signify she comes from heaven - the Queen of Heaven. The constellations are in the exact position as appeared before dawn on the morning of December 12, 1531.

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Field Trip to Venerate the Skull of St. Thomas Aquinas - This was a beautiful and perhaps once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to honor God in his saint - Thomas Aquinas, particularly before the relic of his skull! St. Thomas was one of the most genius and HUMBLE Doctors of the Church, we were SO BLESSED to be able to venerate St. Thomas before his relic and also celebrate the Mass with the Archbishop! SEE PICS BELOW!



Right: Smith Family made it into the Catholic Record newspaper!



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Dear Parents,

Here are a few lists with suggested books to purchase and wrap for the book exchange to be held on Thursday, December 19. There are many, many options. Please encourage your children to understand how special this is! Good literature not only increases vocabulary and reading comprehension, but it also helps us to reflect and perceive truths, make good judgments, improve our ability to communicate, understand what it means to be human, and so much more! With all that said, here are a few links with book titles of literature that is rich and wholesome! The emphasis here is not so much on Christmas books, but on good, classical literature to be read all year round. The books should be wrapped but only labeled as for a boy or a girl, or either. The exchange will take place only within homeroom groups. Please follow these guidelines. If you have any questions regarding books, please direct them to me. Thank you for your support!

In Christ, Mrs. Fehder

<http://homeschoolconnectionsonline.blogspot.com/2018/02/the-ultimate-list-of-family-read-alouds.html>

<https://goodbooksforcatholickids.com/>

<https://www.catholicfaithstore.com/daily-bread/summer-reading-list-for-catholic-children/>

<https://www.wordonfire.org/articles/fellows/wholesome-books-5-suggestions-for-imaginative-refreshment/>

<https://mercyformarthas.com/2019/08/27/24-wholesome-books-for-boys-in-gr-3-6/>

<https://teachingcatholickids.com/best-books-for-catholic-families/>

<https://www.catholicteenbooks.com/teachers>

What a beautiful rosary given in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe! Every class designed beautiful altars in her honor! See pics below AND on the school Facebook!

