



*We are a school
of the
Catholic Diocese
of Saginaw.*

OUR Faith

OUR Kids

OUR Mission

St. Elizabeth Area Catholic School

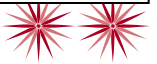
**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
CELEBRATING FAITH, ACADEMICS & SERVICE
SUNDAY, JANUARY 29th-FEBRUARY 4th**

Mission Statement

The Staff, parents and community of St. Elizabeth Area Catholic School work together to offer students a safe supportive and nurturing Catholic environment. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we are committed to Gospel values and discipleship.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Wednesday, January 25, 2012



LITURGY CORNER

**WORD &
COMMUNION ONLY**
Friday, January 27th
8:30 a.m.

Cantor:
Kyler Syring

Reading:
Adam Fisher

Responsorial Psalm:
Zane Parman

Intercessions:
Kirkland Barber



Hello on a beautiful Wednesday,

Catholic Schools Week is just around the corner. Check the calendar of activities! It will be a great opportunity to showcase how St. Elizabeth Area Catholic School nurtures our students' faith, academics and service. Some teachers, students, and parents will talk in their parishes this weekend to highlight the importance of a Catholic education, especially at St. Elizabeth. If there are any volunteers that will join them, I would appreciate it. Just let me know.

You have already received the country your family will be working on. The tri-fold display boards have been ordered and they should be here by Monday 30th. In the meantime, you can start doing the research and looking for pictures or printing what you will include. If you do not have access to a computer, you are welcome to come and use our lab. If there are any materials that you need, we can try to help you out.

The Box Tops that you collect have raised a lot of money that we will use for this week's activities: buses, skating, the difference between what you pay for the school lunch and the lunch in a restaurant, and other expenses we may incur in for the other activities.

If you want to come and help make fleece blankets with the children on Friday, contact Tonya Hawken or me. A group of ladies will be coming on Thursday to cut and get everything ready for Friday.

A second insert in this newsletter is about the potluck for Saturday, February 4th. Please, return the bottom portion to Mrs. Cameron so she can plan accordingly.

I want to thank Mr. Tim Barber for donating a scanner for the 1-2 grade. Also, thanks go to Macey and Allison Hawken, Kyler Syring, Mark Fritzler and Matthew Simerson for their donations of books for the classrooms and our library.

Today we received the visit of a specialist from the Tuscola Health Department. She did hearing screening of the students in Pre-school 4, kindergarten, 2nd, 4th, 6th and 8th and vision screening of 1st, 3rd, 5th and 7th graders. Some of you will receive a phone call suggesting a visit to your doctor or specialist.

As we continue to work in planning tomorrow's parishes, let us pray,

Gracious God, you have called us to be your disciples and apostles for today. You bring us together to help build Your reign on earth. Empower us to work effectively to make Your presence known so that others may believe and have a new life. Be with all the parishes and schools in our Diocese of Saginaw as we plan tomorrow's future with hope and as we work to be ministers of the Word, worship and service. Help us to be good stewards of Your resources and caretakers of our land. We ask this in the name of Jesus our brother and friend through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



**St. Elizabeth
National
Elementary &
Junior Honor
Society**

**Is having a
Teddy Bear Toss**



**Bring a new
small teddy bear
or stuffed animal
TO TONIGHT'S
BOYS' HOME
BASEKETBALL
GAMES
THAT BEGIN
@ 6:00 P.M.
The
TEDDY BEAR
TOSS
will take place
between
the 5th/6th &
7th/8th grade
games we will
toss the bears
onto the court.
The
bears/animals
will then be taken
to the Tuscola
County Sheriff's
Department
during
Catholic Schools
Week where they
will disperse them
to local police &
fire departments.**

**So come on out
and join the
FUN!**

Mrs. Cameron – Kindergarten

This week, we are busy working on cards for those at the Caro Rehab Center. We are working on the letter sound /g/ and the sight words: find & this. We are also beginning to add numbers using the dots on dice to help us.

We are still looking for donations of fleece for the blankets that will be made during Catholic Schools Week. The more fleece we have the more blankets we can donate! This is a school wide project with all the children involved. Let's make this service project a success!

Today, we are starting the penny war! Bring in your pennies to put in the Kindergarten can. Bring in quarters, dimes, nickels, & dollars to put in other classroom's cans. The silver coins and dollars will take way from the total amount collected for that grade level. The GREAT news is that all the money collected will benefit *The Children's Dyslexia Center* in Bay City and *The Saginaw Spirit Charitable Foundation*.

Report cards have been sent home today. Please email or call me at school if you would like to schedule a conference to discuss your child's progress.

The Teddy Bear Toss is tonight at the St. Elizabeth basketball game. Bring a new teddy bear or stuffed animal to toss. All stuffed animals collected will be donated to local police and firemen. The animals will then be given to children in times of trauma.

Thank you to the Syring Family for the donation of coloring books and the Bible Hero cards.

Have a blessed week! Mrs. Cameron

Mrs. Territo – 1st & 2nd Grade

It's hard to believe that the school year is technically half over, but it sure is! Report cards will be sent home today. Although we do not have designated conference dates on the calendar, any parents who wish to discuss their child's progress can contact me to arrange a conference.

New AR goals will be established for the 3rd marking period. Congratulations to all the 1st/2nd grade students that met or exceeded their AR goals for the 2nd marking period. All students that did meet their AR goal will be rewarded with a special viewing of a movie this Friday in the gym. (Feel free to send comfy pillows and blankets for the viewing.) Students that exceeded their AR goal by an additional 50% will receive a special treat during the movie. Please remember all students that meet their goal for at least three marking periods and exceed their goal for the last marking period by an additional 50% will receive a special reward at the end of the school year. So keep reading!

Our school-wide "Penny War" begins today! Pennies count positively towards a classroom's total, but silver coins/bills are a negative against the classroom's total. The classroom with the most pennies will receive a pizza party! So, please donate your pennies to the 1st/2nd grade can in front of the office...and feel free to donate your silver/bills to any of the other classroom's cans. (Yes, Mrs. Territo is just a bit competitive!) All collected donations will go to support to two very good causes.

We are still seeking fleece fabric donations for our blanket making service project and donations for our "Michigan Vacations: Beach and Camping" classroom gift basket for the \$100 Dinner Dance.

The 1st/2nd grade classroom will celebrate Catholic Schools Week by honoring our grandparents and special persons on Monday, January 30. Information went home last week, please contact me if you have any questions or have not responded for the event.

Mrs. Redwanz & Mrs. Wolschleger – 3rd & 4th Grade

Awards will be given out this Friday in church after our Word & Communion service. Report cards will be passed out this Friday as well. Please let us know if you would like to set up a conference. We would love to discuss your child's progress with you!

Please remember that our class is collecting Michigan college items for our basket for the \$100 Dinner Dance. Thank you Lupcke and Hawken families for donating items already! So far we have a Michigan State clock, U of M candies, and a U of M calendar. Other items that could be added are clothing, sporting event tickets, souvenirs, etc... All items need to be in by Monday, February 6th.

Yesterday the fourth graders went to Zehnder's Snowfest where they learned how to make snow sculptures. They also toured the Woolen Mill and the Splash Village water pump station. The children had a great time. Hopefully we will be invited back again so that the third graders can go. Thank you, Mrs. Trombley, for driving!

We are still in need of fleece for the blankets that the children will be making during Catholic School's Week. Any donations would be greatly appreciated!

We have many fun activities planned for next week, and some require signed permission slips.

Mrs. Bojo – 5th & 6th Grade

Congratulations to all the 5th and 6th grade students!!! I had 100% of my students make their AR goals for this marking period and 80% made their AM goal!! This is incredible!! So happy, as they have all worked so hard! Thank you to all the parents, as well, because I know you have helped and encouraged them in reaching their goals too!

Thank you to Mr. Boensch, Mr. Corrion, and Mrs. Trombley for driving us to Zehnder's yesterday for the behind the scenes look at the Snow fest. The students enjoyed learning all about snow carving, wool, and the pump station.

Next week is Catholic Schools Week. All students in my classroom are required to attend mass on ***Saturday, February 4th at 5:00 p.m.*** Also my students have invited their Preschool buddies to church on this day, so it would be appropriate for them to be there for this reason as well.

We are still in need of donations of fleece material from parents/friends/neighbors/anyone with extra. We will be using these materials to make blankets for several different local facilities. We would like to have enough materials so that all students have the chance to make a blanket with another student.

Have a good rest of the week! ☺ ~Mrs. Bojo

Mrs. Papesh – 7th & 8th Grade

Thank you to the Boensch and Schluckbier families for their donations to our Up North basket for the \$100 Dinner. It's a great start.

Thanks to all the students supporting our Everything Pop Sale! We made \$172!! We are now plumb out of supplies, except for a few suckers and popsicles. Our next sale will be on February 17th!

Please join the National Honor Society at the basketball games tonight for the Teddy Bear Toss! Games start at 6:00.

We are still in need of fleece for a project during Catholic Schools Week!

Report cards will be going home later today if anyone would like a conference please give me a call.

Remember that DC note I promised?? I'm still waiting on a phone call from a key person before sending out the info. Hopefully by the end of the week I'll know more. Sorry for the delay.

Catholic Schools Week is coming! I'll hopefully see everyone for mass on the 4th. We've got an awesome week of activities planned!

Have a great rest of the week!



\$100 Dinner Dance Basket Themes

- **KINDERGARTEN** – Tri-City Goodies (anything to do with the Tri-City area, products made, restaurant certificates, golf, family fun, etc.)
- **1ST/2ND** - Vacation in Michigan (items related to camping or beaches)
- **3RD/4TH** – Michigan Colleges (anything from any college in Michigan, including tickets to sporting events)
- **5TH/6TH** – All Things Detroit (items/events tied to the Motor City – sporting events, dining, music, products made in Detroit)
- **7TH/8TH** - Up North (tied to Upper Peninsula, Mackinaw Island, Traverse City, etc.)

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 755-0893.

Aileen Stuart

\$100 Dinner Dance Ticket Sales Update:

*There are only 5 tickets left for this event, so stop by the office and get your ticket today.
Tickets are \$100 for two people. Included in the price is a delicious dinner, drinks, silent auction and a raffle with a chance to win \$3,000!*

**CA\$H 52 UPDATE
119 Tickets are left to sell!!!**

2012 CA\$H 52 WINNERS

MONTH	DATE	TICKET	WINNER
Jan.	4	131	Kaye Hausbeck
	11	306	Bette Leutz
	18	484	Val Kwapis
	25	632	John DuRussel

We must sell the last 119 tickets!!!

Your name could be listed above winning \$25.00, \$100.00, or even \$500.00!!!! You can't win unless you purchase a \$10.00 ticket. There are 52 winners every year and you can win more than once!! We have 119 tickets left to sell for this Raffle. Please stop by the office today and purchase your ticket or call, 868-4108 and we will arrange to get a ticket sent home to you.