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Dear Families,

This week at Mass, we heard the passage from the Gospel of Luke in which Jesus chooses His Twelve Apostles. Father Reither shared a good lesson in his homily relating to this. We are all chosen to be on "**Team Jesus**", and to be a good team member, we must: **listen to the coach** (Jesus), follow His instructions (commandments, Scripture, Beatitudes etc.), and try to be the best team player you can be (loving our neighbor, seeing people through the eyes of Jesus, practicing Virtues). I love this analogy! Thank you parents for working with us on this mission – we all want to be the best team player we can be on **Team Jesus**!

ATHLETIC COMMITTEE NEWS:



On September 18, 2021 the Athletic Committee will be hosting a volleyball tournament at the Durand High School for players in grades 4-8. This is a great fundraiser for our school, but takes a lot of work to host. All athletic families are encouraged to work in the concession stand/admission table if they are able and volleyball parents are asked to bring baked goods and work in the

concession stand/admission table. Please see the enclosed note for more information. Thanks in advance for volunteering. All are welcome to come and support our *Royal Teams*. This is a great way to serve and show support for our students.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING:

The Education committee will meet Monday, September 13th at 6:00 at the Lima, all are welcome to attend.

FALL FESTIVALS:

- Sunday, Sept. 19th @ Sacred Heart Mondovi after 10:00 a.m. Mass
- Saturday, October 2nd @ St. Mary's Durand after 4:00 p.m. Mass Families Thanks for returning your "helping with Mass" sheets! Schedule sent soon. Enclosed, please find a sign-up sheet for students in grades 4-8 to help with games. We will keep you posted of other areas that need your help.

FIELDTRIPS:

We have our first fieldtrip coming up: our 4K and Kindergarten students are going to the apple orchard; please return permission slip BY Wednesday, September 15th. Attention future volunteers and chaperones: Once again, the Diocese of La Crosse requires having a basic background check, which is valid for 3 years, as well as completing/signing the Confidential Questionnaire annually for ALL VOLUNTEERS AND FIELDTRIP CHAPERONES. If you think you may like to chaperone or volunteer in the classroom, please let us know and we will send the required documents home with your child to complete and return the next school day. If you need more forms for Grandma and Grandpa, let us know. Thank you for your cooperation. Please call with any questions or concerns.

GIRL SCOUTS:

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Enclosed, please find a flyer with information regarding Girl Scouts.

HEALTH UPDATES:

This school year, be assured we will continue to address the Spiritual, Physical and Mental/Emotional Health of our students.

We have had several questions regarding wearing of masks, close contacts, quarantines etc.

We appreciate everyone's patience and understanding, as we work with the Diocese and Priests to create a just, healthy, learning space for all students.

We believe information provided to families will help them make the best decisions for themselves and their children. Posted on our webpage is our handbook and current Charitable Return to School Plan.

Any questions or concerns, please contact me at 715-672-5617

HOME AND SCHOOL:

- Thank you to our Home and School for providing birthday cupcakes for our students on Wednesday, September 8th Celebration of our Blessed Mother Mary's Birthday. We enjoyed these cupcakes after our Rosary at each campus.
- Last week kicked off our Magazine PLUS sale, the packet was sent home! The list of those qualifying for non-dress code went home yesterday. "Achiever Collectable Coops" awards will begin starting Monday, September 13th.

Dates to remember: Wednesday, Sept. 15th (the second/final turn in date). Updates & clarifications:



- To order from the **River City Catalog**: Go to http://clubschoicefundraising.com/ Click **Order Online Now** to order **or** you can *Join the Clubhouse* if you want to send emails and text messages to let people buy from the catalog online. Fill in the blanks that are required. **The School Code is ASSUM22**
- To order from the Magazine catalog or see a wider selection: Go to www.APMags.com Click shop to support or Register a Participant; put in the **School Code: ACSDL21**
- You can send emails and text messages to let people buy from the catalogs online.
- A \$10.00 donation equates to (1) magazine order.
- Donate your cumulative prizes to buy chicks and/or goats through the Food for the Poor organization and help support families in third world countries. (see enclosed)

MASS SERVERS:



This week we started a "new and refresher" server training for our students, we started with grades 7/8 and will follow with the 5/6 grade students next week. We are hoping more students feel called to help with this needed service. Our 4th grade students will be trained in October as part of their curriculum.

PARTNERS IN FAITH:

Would you let a stranger into your home, give them your child's undivided attention for hours and let them tell them what to wear and how to behave?

An interesting analogy to screen time as written in this month's Partners in Faith.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT:



The teachers will be presenting lessons on safe environment to all students in their classrooms <u>starting</u> <u>Monday September 13th.</u> These lesson plans are posted on our school webpage and the diocesan web page and/or we can give you a hard copy if you prefer. If you do not want your child to participate in this lesson, please indicate that on the form sent last week. We are still missing some forms,

Please return the completed safe environment training form (Green) on Monday

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this lesson, please call.

VIRTUE OF THE MONTH:

Parents want children to be strong enough to live virtuously as adults. It is critical for children to grow up leaning on Christ, not just meeting him as an infrequent visitor. To help better prepare us "in spirit" for the



annual Walk for Virtues, we will again be featuring a "Virtue of the Month" this school year. This month we are learning about the **Theological Virtues: Faith, Hope and Charity**. Ask your children about these virtues and what they have learned about them thus far. Talk about the Venerable Fulton Sheen, St. Josephine Bakhita and St. Teresa of Calcutta, who were models of these virtues.

†PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- - Those impacted by 9/11 twenty years ago
 - Those impacted by Hurricane Ida
 - The Afghan people who are seeking refuge at Fort McCoy.

With Blessings of Peace and Joy,

Mrs. Mary Lansing Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:			
Monday	9/13	4/5 Volleyball Triangular @ St. Marks	5:00
		6/7/8 VB vs. Osseo – Home	5:00 and 6:15
		Education Committee meeting @ Lima	6:00
Tuesday	9/14	School Mass @ St. Mary's	8:30
		6/7/8 VB vs Durand – Home	5:00 and 6:00
Wednesday	9/15	Last turn in date for Magazine Sale	
		RE Classes begin at St. Mary's	3:45 and 6:30
Thursday	9/16	School Mass @ Holy Rosary	8:30
		6/7/8 VB vs. Cadott – Home	5:00 and 6:15
Saturday	9/18	ACS Volleyball Tourney @ Durand High School	8:30
Sunday	9/19	Sacred Heart Fall Festival following Mass @	10:00