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September 29th, 2023

Dear Families,

The month of October is traditionally dedicated to Our Blessed Mother Mary under her title, "*Our Lady of the Rosary*." Pope Gregory XIII named this feast because it was believed that Christians, after praying the Rosary, won a critical victory at the Battle of Lepanto on October 7th, 1571.

The rosary appeals to many people. It is simple, and the constant repetition of words helps create an atmosphere that allows us to reflect on the mysteries of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. Our faith tells us that Jesus and Mary are with us in our own joys and sorrows. The Rosary possesses a number of powerful spiritual benefits:

- The Rosary is a Christ-centered prayer,
- The Rosary is a powerful way to contemplate the Face of Christ,
- The Rosary is a memorial by which Mary constantly sets before us the mysteries of her Son,
- The Rosary unites us to the bond between Jesus and Mary,
- The Rosary is a supreme source of comfort and solace,
- The Rosary is a condensed version of the Gospels.

On Wednesday, October 18, we will be reciting a Living Rosary contributing to the goal of ONE MILLION CHILDREN all over the world praying the rosary for Peace and Unity in the World. Please join us if you can at: 10:00 a.m. at Lima and/or 12:15 at St. Mary's Church

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK:

CARDINAL

This week, our students reviewed the **THEOLOGICAL VIRTUES** of Faith, Hope and Charity, and were introduced to the **CARDINAL VIRTUES**. **Theological virtues are given** to us by God at Baptism, while **Cardinal virtues**

are acquired by education and good actions. It is up to us to constantly develop and use all these virtues throughout our lives. They need to be practiced; they can be lost if they are neglected.

ATHLETIC NEWS:

VIRTUES

• Below is the volleyball home worker schedule for the remainder of the season—areas highlighted still need help!! Please contact the office if you are able to help!

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Game	Date	Time	Books	Clock	Line Judge	Line Judge	Candy Cart
7^{th}	Monday, Oct. 2 nd	5:00	Alaina Dorwin	Chloie Gunderson	Emma Pelke	Amber Bauer	Tina Kothbauer
8 th		6:00	M. Lansing			Tess Gunderson	Carrie Brunner
7 th	Tuesday, Oct. 3 rd	5:00	Lucy Hoyt	Blaze Dorwin	Emma Pelke	Amber Bauer	Jill Hoyt
8 th		6:00	Sara Mack	Blaze Dorwin	Kayna Sabelko	Mili Mack	Jill Hoyt
7 th	Thursday, Oct. 5th	5:00		Alaina Dorwin	Emma Pelke	Mary Bullard	Tina Kothbauer
8 th		6:00		Lucas Reckin	Lily Bauer	Jill Hoyt	Lori Bauer
7 th	Monday Oct. 9th	5:00	Sam Tulip	Chloie Gunderson	Emma Pelke		Tina Kothbauer
8 th		6:00	Jessica Wood	Nicholas Wood			Carrie Brunner

FLU CLINIC:

Pepin County Health Department will start at the **Durand campus on Wed. 10/04 at 7:30a.m. to** accommodate parents who would like to accompany their child(ren) for the free seasonal influenza vaccination. They will travel to the Lima campus afterwards for the K-3 students. Contact the office if you misplaced your form.

HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS:

- Be sure to stop by the Home and School Table during Parent Teacher conferences we are excited to share with you the events we have coming up, and hear how our school and students could benefit from your help!
- The calendars are in and we are excited to send them home next Friday! They turned out lovely. Thanks for returning your slips indicating the amount you would like to sell.

OCTOBER CALENDAR AND MENU: Enclosed please find next month's calendar and menu.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES:

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at conferences. Your scheduled time is enclosed.

PARTNERS IN FAITH:

Praying as a family is a source of spiritual strength, protection, nourishment and much needed grace, the article, *The Family That Prays Together* will give you tips to strengthen your family prayer habit.



<u>SCHOOL PICTURES</u>: Don't forget! **Picture day is Monday, October 2**. Enclosed please find a reminder. Re-take day is **Tuesday, November 7**th when all 3K students will be photographed. Students may wear school appropriate jeans (no holes) dress code or better. **No leggings** unless worn under a dress.

<u>SCRIP</u>: It's easy—and it works. By using gift cards to pay for everyday expenses, participants can earn over \$1,000 each year. No selling. No extra time. No extra money! Need help with the process – call us!

SERVICE PROJECT FOR OCTOBER:

Trunk or Treat:



Assumption Catholic School will once again have a Trunk decorated for *TRUNK or TREAT* this year. The event is scheduled for **Saturday, October 28th from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.**

We need some help. We are collecting microwave popcorn packets. Can you donate a box? A packet? We need 900 popcorn packets by October 23, so our students can affix a label with bible verses on them to prepare for hand out. We also need 3-4 people (adults and students) to help hand out our "treat". Please let us know how you can help – very fun family event.

CALENDAR REMINDERS AND UPDATES:							
Monday	10/02	Picture Day 7/8 Girls Volleyball Home vs Altoona	8:15-10:00 5:00 & 6:00				
Tuesday	10/03	School Mass at St. Mary's 7/8 Girls Volleyball Home vs Alma	8:30 5:00 & 6:00				
Wednesday	10/04	Flu Clinic					
Thursday	10/05	School Mass at Holy Rosary 4-6 th Grade Girls Volleyball Triangular @ St Marks 7/8 Girls Volleyball Home vs MACS	8:30 5:00 5:00 & 6:00				
Friday	10/06	8 th Grade Day at the Diocese Lima Fish Fry	8:10-5:00 4:30-7:30				
Saturday	10/07	7 th Grade Volleyball Tournament @ Fall Creek 8 th Grade Volleyball Tournament @ Fall Creek	8:00 12:00				

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

• Help to form and practice Theological and Cardinal Virtues as they can be lost if they are neglected.

• Help from the Arch-angels, whose Feast Day we celebrated Friday, may we attain Protection from St. Michael. Strength from Angel Gabriel and Healing from Angel Raphael.

Thank you for choosing Assumption Catholic School! Our faculty and staff are committed to working with you to fulfill our mission of *Faith*• *Academics* • *Service*

With Blessings of Peace and Joy,

Mary Lansing, Principal