



# Shamrock Newsletter

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## INAUGURATION DAY

Today, Tuesday, January 20, 2009, America celebrates a moment in history for which we can all be proud as the first African-American is inaugurated as the 44<sup>th</sup> President of the United States. With all the challenges President Barack Obama will face as a world leader, we all need to keep him and all our country's leaders in our daily prayers that God will bless and guide them as they lead our country.

Our morning devotional today focused on this historical event and arrangements have been made for the students to witness the inauguration live on television today.

*God Bless President Obama and God Bless America!!*

## Upcoming Dates

**Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>:** Catholic Schools Week

**Jan 28<sup>th</sup>:** Early Dismissal Day

**Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>:** Early Dismissal Day

## Early Dismissal

**Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>** will be an early dismissal day. Students not picked up by 1:45 p.m. will be sent to After Hours Care.

## Jeans for Greens

**Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>** we will have a Jeans for Greens Day. Students and Staff may wear **blue jeans** for a **\$1.00** donation. Students must wear a uniform polo with their jeans. Money raised will go toward the sixth grade end of the year trip.

## Science Fair Winners

We are proud to announce the names of the following students who placed in our 2009 St. Patrick School Science Fair:

### **Class I:**

**Physics and Engineering.** **1<sup>st</sup> Place:** Madison Gordon; **2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** Ashton Hamilton; **3<sup>rd</sup> Place:** Clay Shumate; **Honorable Mention:** Cameron Boman. **Math, Computers, Earth and Space.** **1<sup>st</sup> Place:** Olivia Pollock; **2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** Olivia Holliday. **Behavioral and Social Sciences.** **1<sup>st</sup> Place:** Joshua Bates; **2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** Jenna Graupman; **3<sup>rd</sup> Place:** Evan Reed; **Honorable Mention:** Diana Suarez and Derrion Wince. **Botany and Microbiology.** **1<sup>st</sup> Place:** Rose Albert; **Honorable Mention:** Reese Little. **Chemistry and Biochemistry.** **1<sup>st</sup> Place:** Jonah Delaney; **2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** John Graupman.

### **Class II:**

**Physics and Engineering.** **1<sup>st</sup> Place:** Zachary Crain; **2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** Kami Friday; **3<sup>rd</sup> Place:** Alli Lopez. **Behavioral and Social Sciences.** **1<sup>st</sup> Place:** Virginia Pressly; **2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** Katie Holliday; **3<sup>rd</sup> Place:** Claire Commagere; **Honorable Mention:** Asia McCoy. **Math, Computers, Earth and Space.** **1<sup>st</sup> Place:** Chelsea Grissett; **2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** Annakatharine Rowland; **3<sup>rd</sup> Place:** Kelly Bator. **Zoology, Medicine, and Health.** **2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** Kali Brooks; **3<sup>rd</sup> Place:** Jamie Joyner. **Chemistry.** **2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** James Snowden. **Botany and Microbiology.** **1<sup>st</sup> Place:** Madeleine Hodge.

*A Big Thank You goes out to Mrs. Jamie Hill who organized and directed this educational event and has done so for many years.*

### Catholic Schools Week

Please plan to join in the various activities we have planned for Catholic Schools Week. Refer to the schedule that went home last week for more detailed information, or contact the office if you need another one. Some of the highlights which you may want to **plan to attend** include:

1. Sunday ~ 11:00 a.m. Mass
2. Daily ~ Open House 9:00-11:00 a.m.
3. Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> ~ Community Leader's

Prayer Service 8:10 a.m. in the church.

4. Tuesday ~ Basketball games for all grades.

5. Wednesday ~ Devotional by the cross and flag presentation.

6. Thursday ~ Mass followed by Reception for the Pastors of our students' churches.

7. Friday ~ Blue Jeans Day.

**We encourage you to invite prospective families to the Open House which will take place Monday through Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup> – January 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.**

### Diocesan Teachers Meeting Date Set

The Diocesan Teachers Meeting that was scheduled for Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> has been postponed to **Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**.

### Health Updates

We just wanted to give you an update on three of our staff members who have recently undergone surgery. **Mrs. Jan Warren**, our P.E. teacher, had gall bladder surgery on Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup>. She recovered quickly and already returned to school this morning! **Mrs. Sandra Swartz**, our Music teacher, underwent brain surgery also on Thursday, and everything went very well. She will be recovering for the next few weeks, and should return to school after Spring Break. Continue to keep her in your prayers. Mrs. Deb Proctor, who had foot surgery in November, has returned to school, and as of today, is able to walk a part of the day without the assistance of a walker.

### Winn Dixie & Campbell's Soup Labels

**EXTRA POINTS AVAILABLE:** From **January 14<sup>th</sup> through February 10<sup>th</sup>**, parents who purchase any **TEN** specially priced Campbell products in a **single transaction** will instantly earn a **'100' Labels for Education bonus point coupon** that can be turned in to our school. Please keep this in mind when shopping during this time period. These extra points are valuable. Thank you.

### Box Tops for Education

Please remember to take time to cut the **Box Tops for Education** coupons off participating products. Each coupon is worth **TEN CENTS**. These points add up very quickly and help the school.

### Valentine Dinner/Dance

Adults and ninth grade through college students are invited to attend "*An Evening With Chad Acton and Friends / A Dinner-Dance*", to be held **Saturday, February 14, 2009** in the Family Life Center. Dance music will be provided by D.J. Frankie. **Adult tickets: \$10.00; Ninth graders – College Age: \$5.00.** Tickets may be purchased in the school office.

### Sign Up For Photos – Parish Directory

It is time again for a new Catholic Community Church Directory. All parishioners of St. Patrick and St. Joseph Churches are asked to sign up in the Parish Office building or Family Life Center for a time slot. All participants will receive a Free 8x10 photo and Free directory.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

