

From our Principal

Come Holy Spirit



At this time of the year as we approach the great feasts of Ascension and Pentecost, we are renewed with the SPIRIT of Christ. With the many recent Baptisms, First Communions and now tonight with the 86 children being confirmed, the Holy Spirit is always present. We need to be open to the Spirit within us.

At the time of these sacraments, our baptismal promises are said, either by our sponsors or we renew them by ourselves. At the end of our baptismal promises this prayer is said, "This is our faith. This is the faith of the Church. We are proud to profess it in Christ Jesus our Lord."

After the sacrament is celebrated with the beautiful ceremony, the new clothes, the parties and the pictures, the practice of our faith goes on. Going to Mass every Sunday and receiving the Eucharist increases our faith.

As summer approaches, we have the opportunity to visit other Catholic parishes when we are on vacation, camping, or participating in sporting events out of town. For help finding Mass times in other cities log on to www.masstimes.org

Totus Tuus will take place at North American Martyrs this summer the week of **June 21-25**. Registration form is being sent home today with students K-7 and also available in the office or by e-mail request.

Pro-Life Poster Winners

Congratulations to Delani Lyle in 2B and **Genevieve O'Gara** in 3B who were **3rd** place winners in this year's pro-life poster contest. They received \$20 and their posters are displayed in the school lobby.



1000's Club - Congratulations to Rachel Merrill for joining the **1000's** club in English!

North American Martyrs School

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May 6, 2010

WATCH FOR THESE UPCOMING DATES

Thursday, May 6 - Confirmation 7 pm
 Saturday, May 8 - Track meet begins at 9 a.m. at Pius X
 Monday, May 10 - Talent Show tryouts - after school in parish hall
 Thursday, May 13 - No School - Ascension - Holy Day of Obligation
 Friday, May 14 - 1:30 pm dismissal, jean day, 50¢ for the missions
 Friday, May 14 - Mayfair 6 - 8:30 pm, Volunteers needed (see back of newsletter)
 Tuesday, May 18 - Spring Concert, 7:00 pm in the Church
 Friday, May 21 - Spring Talent Show
 Tuesday, May 25 - Eight Grade Graduation
 May 27 - Last Day of School 10:00 a.m. Dismissal

Dairy Queen Night Out

on Tuesday **May 11th** from 5:00pm to 8:00pm. Please plan ahead and use Scrip for your purchases.



Spring Fundraiser Update

This year's Spring Fundraiser is off to a great start. If you haven't already, place your order today! A sample packet is available at the school office.

Life in the Fifth Grade



Tonight is the night! After a year of preparation the fifth graders will be receiving the sacrament of **Confirmation** at 7:00 pm. Along with studying the 92 questions and doing 10 hours of service the students were given the option to participate in Project Tanzania. **Project Tanzania** began when Sr. Joyce Feterl visited and told of her experiences in Tanzania. Upon hearing and seeing what life in Africa is like, the students were asked to earn a couple of dollars while they completed their service hours. Forty two students opted to take part and earned just over \$800! This amount exceeded any expectations we had. The money raised will be used to purchase and send **school supplies** to a school in Tanzania. This school is run by Sr. Auxilia a Benedictine nun. She recently finished her education at Mount Marty College which is located on the same campus as Sacred Heart Monastery, where Sr. Pat and Sr. Barbara K. call home. Since there was such a large amount of money raised, some of it will be sent by money gram to help directly in the running of the school. Thank you to the parents who helped with this very special project.



The fifth grade students had their second **field trip** of the year. They had an awesome time at **Duncan Aviation**. They also had an unplanned and fully appreciated opportunity to learn about and sit in an **Army Blackhawk helicopter**. The students were able to tour some of the hangers where mechanics work on the airplanes. Due to less rain, lunch plans were changed and the group came back to school and had picnic lunch in the classrooms followed by a movie. It was a fun day thanks in part to our parent drivers!



Big changes are headed our way in the fifth grade (and sixth grade)! Next year students coming into the fifth grade will have only Mrs. Reisdorff and Sr. Barbara for teachers. The students going into the sixth grade will only have Mrs. Unger and Mrs. Crawford. The teachers and Sr. Pat met and decided that the needs of our students could be better met by limiting the number of teachers to two for each grade. This will also make the transition from fourth to fifth grade a little smoother. Everyone is excited about the possibilities that this change will bring.

Remember there are just **14 days** of school left. Please encourage the students to work hard and continue to study to make their final grades the best this year.

Congratulations to Megan Pohlen who made the *Pius X Freshman Cheerleader team* and **Anna Arndt** who made the *Pius X Thunderettes dance team*. Your hard work and perseverance paid off!! Good Job!



All library books are due the week of May 17th.

North American Martyrs

Mayfair

Friday, May 14th

6:00-8:30 PM

**Concessions
Games and Prizes
Raffle**



Mayfair -
49 volun-
teers needed.

Please contact Don &
Deb Mazour at dma-
zour@neb.rr.com or
475-2332 if you're
able to help.

Fun Games & Activities
Bungee Run, Shower the
Student Council, Obstacle
Course, Bounce House with
Slide, Speed Pitch, Lots of
kid's games!

Concessions

Raising Cane's Chicken fingers,
carrots, cookies, pop, tea &
lemonade

Each family please
bring two 2-liter bot-
tles of pop and one
cake for the games!

Raffle Prizes

Family Pool Pass,
IPOD Touch, Digital Camera
Much More!

KFOR Summer Fun Punch Tickets
will be available for \$5.00 each. The
PTO keeps 100% of the proceeds and you
enjoy free or reduced prices on summer ac-
tivities. Also available in the school office.