

# North American M A R T Y R S C a t h o l i c S c h o o l

WHAT A WEEK! The meeting tonight is one Father Connor and I have been planning all week. It has been confusing, stressful, difficult but in the end, grace filled. I have to say that Father and I have been united in a way through this that I feel the grace of God carrying both of us through. It's been a lot of later meetings, late nights to get my prayers in, and definitely early mornings to get everything else happening at school, but it makes me so proud of who we are and where we are going. I know many of you are worried about the announcement. I do not think you need to be. I feel like for all of us (myself included) it is a call to be together, pray together and work together, to make what is already great about our school even greater. The gift to do so and to receive such is one that we take for granted. While the diocese is requiring this of us, I feel that it will, in obedience bring us closer to God and His Church. I can't wait to see you all there tonight at 7pm.



God bless you,  
Sr. Janelle

## **Important Dates:**

- **Important Mandatory Parent Meeting Thursday January 24th at 7pm.**
- **Book Fair will be held after all of the masses starting Saturday January 26th.**
- **ProLife Mass is Saturday January 26th at St. Mary's at 9 am. \*attached flyer\***
- **Catholic Schools Week begins Monday January 28th. \*\*See attached flyer for details\*\***
- **The Learning Fair will start in the church on Tuesday January 29th at 6:30pm.**

## **Mark Your Calendars:**

- **North American Martyrs school dance will be Friday February 1st from 6-8 pm in the gym.**
- **Pius New Student Orientation is Monday February 4th at 7 pm in the gym.**
- **Kindergarten Preview is Tuesday February 5th at 6pm.**

The St. Pius X Diocesan Boys Choir is looking for boys in grades 4-8 to sing with them! Attached is a flyer for more info. The first rehearsal was on Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, but you can still sign up! More information attached to the newsletter!

The following link is for the Staff Appreciation breakfast during Catholic Schools Week. We are still in need of volunteers! If you are willing and able to bring something, please sign up through the link. Thank you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C44ACA723A31-staff>

The PTO recently purchased new jerseys for our sports program! They look great and we appreciate their generosity and all the work that went into designing and ordering them. We will be selling the older jerseys for \$1 during Catholic Schools week.

⇒ Also, anyone interested in joining the PTO, please contact Mike and Kris Kucera on their email at: [kris-sehi@hotmail.com](mailto:kris-sehi@hotmail.com) or by phone at 402-875-3401 or 402-841-4304. You can also tell Sr. Janelle.

## **AmazonSmile**

Amazon Smile is a branch of Amazon that allows you to donate 0.5% of your Amazon purchase toward a charity of your choosing. North American Martyrs is among the list that you can donate to. It is the same Amazon that you already shop from, all that is different is the link you start at. When going to AmazonSmile all that is needed is the link <https://smile.amazon.com/>. Sign in to your Amazon account and select your charity of your choice and shop! \*\* If you choose to donate to North American Martyrs, there are multiple to choose from! Make sure Lincoln, NE is under the title.\*\*

## **Chess Club Info:**

Chess club bake sale after all Masses this weekend. Please bring baked goods packaged for SALE. All proceeds go towards trip to Nationals.

There is a Chess Tournament Saturday February 2nd! If you have not signed up for it and would like to participate, permission forms are going to be attached to the newsletter. Also, if you have not registered for second semester chess club please do so. Registration forms are in the school office.

**Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest:** The annual Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest Council level competition was held Saturday January 19<sup>th</sup>. The winners were: Age 9: (boys) Grady Guenther, Age 10: (girls) Makenna Swanson and (boys) Miles McGill, Age 11: (girls) Kelcee Kumke and (boys) Jasper Hagedorn, Age 12: (girls) Delaney Wollberg and (boys) Luke Kocian, Age 13: (girls) Grace Mueller and (boys) Finnigan McManus. Age 14 (boys) Conner Zegar. Please join me in congratulating these contestants for their achievement and wish them good luck as they move on to the District Level Competition to be held at St. Patrick's on Saturday Feb 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am (registration begins at 9:00 am).