



*Where children of God are welcomed, nurtured, and served,
Guiding souls and growing minds.*

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Dear Parents/Guardians/Students:

This Saturday is the Feast of Saint Agnes. Today, our 7th graders received their Confirmation books. I think it is a beautiful connection between the sacrament and our patron's feast day. Saint Agnes herself was probably about the same age as our 7th graders. So in a symbolic way, like Saint Agnes, our 7th graders are saying "Yes!" to God's call. Since we are all part of the Saint Agnes community, tomorrow is Wear Red day: jeans, gym shoes, and a red shirt. If students don't have a red shirt, then they should wear standard Saint Agnes spiritwear. It's a day to celebrate our patron who died because she was a Christian and remind us of our own spirit-filled Confirmation. Happy Feast Day, Saint Agnes!

- Potbelly Sandwich Fundraiser will take place **tomorrow**, Friday, Jan. 20 from 5-8 P.M. at the Homewood location (corrected address): *17573 S. Halsted St.* near the Menards store. Potbelly will give back to Saint Agnes 25% of ALL sales. Bonus note: You can order online at www.potbelly.com between 5-8 P.M. too. Please be sure to join us tomorrow evening!
- Progress Reports go home **tomorrow**, Friday, Jan 20. Please look for them. Thank you.
- Nancy B. Witter Good Steward Scholarship: Applications went home yesterday to all students in grades 1-4. Applications are due by this **Tuesday, January 24**. Winners will be notified and will receive their scholarship at the school liturgy during Catholic Schools Week on Thursday, February 2.
- Catholic Schools Week Mass: The 11:00 A.M. liturgy on Sunday, January 29 will be a little more special than normal. The children's choir will be singing and the Gospel will be performed. Afterwards, there will be an Open House from noon-2 P.M. Hopefully you can make it and bring a friend or neighbor with you to experience the joy of Saint Agnes!
- Catholic Schools Week is from January 29-February 3. We will be kicking the week off with a Liturgy and an Open House on Sunday, January 29 as stated above. More Catholic Schools Week activities are listed below:
 - *Monday, January 30*—**Work**: Dress Like a Principal or Teacher Day; Get Up and Dance Day
 - *Tuesday, January 31*—**Help**: *Student Appreciation Day*. Crazy Sock Day; Sock Collection Day
 - *Wednesday, February 1*—**Respect** our Roots Day: Family Trees and Tree Certificates
 - *Thursday, February 2*—**Invite**: *Scholarship Day and Special Person Day* in which your child can ask a special person to come into school from 9:15 -10:45 to watch them learn.
 - *Friday, February 3*—**Learn and Love**: *Teacher Appreciation Day, special activity, DEAR*

- Facebook: Parents—be sure to like us on our Facebook page: “St. Agnes Parish and Catholic School” page. There are pictures of 8th grade and 1st grade art work, the 7th grade Commissioning Ceremony, Keys to Success, Potbelly’s, and today’s Home and School Sub Sandwich Lunch. We currently have 571 ‘likes.’ Spread the news!
- Athletic News: Open Gym for Saint Agnes students in grades 5-8.
Where: Saint Kieran’s gym.
When: Friday, January 20
Time: 5-8 P.M.
Cost: \$2.00 per student

The orange flyer went home yesterday!

January Calendar:

20 2nd Trimester Progress Reports go home
31 First Reconciliation 6:30 P.M.
29-Feb. 3 **Catholic Schools Week**

February Calendar:

2 Parent Advisory Committee at 7:00 P.M. in room 201
10 Home & School Roller Skating Party
16 Home & School Hot Lunch
17 No School—Professional Development Day
20 No School—President’s Day
20 Home & School Aurelio’s Family Dining Night

*Christ made my soul beautiful
With the jewels of grace and virtue.
I belong to Him whom the angels serve.*

—Saint Agnes of Rome