

Theme: The theme for the school year is Unleashing the Gospel for 90 Years. How can you take what you did in Lent and continue it this Easter Season and Beyond?

May Crowning: The May Crowning will take place on Sunday, May 14th at the 9:00 Mass.

Sacraments: On May 7th at the 11:00 Mass First Communion will take place. The practice for this will be on May 3rd at 7:00. Confirmation will be held on May 12th at 8:15 Mass for the families from our 8th grade.

Prayers: Mrs. McCreedy brother who is recovering from open heart surgery and the Bellia family.

National Day of Prayer: May 4th is a National Day of Prayer.

Field Day: Field Day will be held on Friday, May 19th. If you signed up earlier to assist with field day, you will be contacted. Remember that 3 hours of helping at this event will count toward your 20 PTO hours for next year. If you work, you need to plan on being here for the entire day. Students need to bring a sack lunch for that day. Ice Cream will be sold for \$1. Mrs. Jean Stanley will be coordinating field day.

PowerSchool: Every parent has access to PowerSchool. This should be viewed by the parent to keep tabs on student's progress. If internet connection at home is an issue, the computer lab will be opened on Wednesdays from 3:30-4:00 for parents to check grades.

Visitors: A reminder that ALL visitors, parents included, must stop in the office, check in and receive a visitor badge. If you wish to speak to your child's teacher, please setup a time to do so. It can be disruptive to walk in unannounced at the beginning or end of the day. If your child forgot something, leave it in the office. We will make sure that your child receives what is brought in.

A Big Thank You: A great big thank you to Sonya Zakolski, Tamara Smith, Isha Montgomery, Megan Morman, Margaret Roache, Natalie Smith, Michelle Gordon, Satyra Johnson, Mary

Jeanne Franzinger and the many others who helped make our auction a success! Thank you to ALL who assisted in any way. A fantastic time was had by all! Thank you also to all of the parents who helped our students put on a wonderful performance of Madagascar, Jr. It was a great show!

Fundraising Opportunity: We have partnered with the Amazon.com philanthropic arm, Amazon Smiles. All you need to do is register your current Amazon account with Amazon Smiles and find St. Clare of Montefalco School. The website is: smile.amazon.com. Search for St. Clare of Montefalco School and select it. Once you select St. Clare of Montefalco School you can use your current login information. The only thing to remember when shopping is to go to smile.amazon.com. That's it. After that Amazon.com will donate a portion of the total cost spent to St. Clare School! It's pretty easy and a great way to help benefit the school. I hope you will consider supporting St. Clare of Montefalco!

Kroger Card: Please be sure to re-register, or register, your Kroger card. If you do not, neither you nor the school receive credit. Go to: <https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards> Our number is 82858.

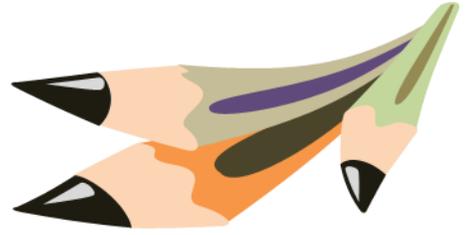
ACES: On Wednesday, May 10th all students will be participating in ACES at 10:00. ACES stands for All Children Exercising Simultaneously. We will be on the blacktop, weather permitting. Come and exercise with us! Exercise clothes (no jeans) should be worn.

Dress Code: Beginning on May 1st solid navy twill walking shorts may be worn. Shorts must be no shorter than the top of the knee. Girls should not be wearing slacks under their skirts now with the warmer weather.

6th Gr. Camp: There is a meeting for 5th grade parents in regards to camp NEXT year. This meeting will be on May 11 at 7:00 in the Teacher's Lounge. Please plan to attend to learn about 6th grade camp.

HART Spaghetti Dinner: The Haiti and Africa Relief Team (HART) is having a spaghetti dinner fundraiser on Friday, May 5th 5:00-9:00 in the Social Hall. Tickets are \$12 for Adults and \$5 for Children. All proceeds support the missionary efforts and purchase of Medical Supplies for the trip in June.





Financial Issues: By now all tuition, fees, fines should be paid in full. Report cards and diplomas will be withheld and records will not be sent to another school until your responsibilities have been taken care of. 8th Graders must be up-to-date or they will not go on the trip or be able to participate in the graduation festivities. PTO hours should be complete for this year, statements of fees owed will be forthcoming. The office will accept certain payments via credit card. The person paying will be responsible for the 3% fee.

8th Grade Reminders: The 8th graders will be on their trip May 25th and 8th graders will not have school on Friday, May 26th.

Memorial Day: There will be No school on May 29th in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. Please remember in your prayers all those who have given a sacrifice for our country.

Registration: Registration forms are now due. If you are planning on registering your child/children for St. Clare of Montefalco School next year, I ask that you do so as soon as possible. If you are moving out of town or moving to another school, please let us know. Open enrollment began in March. Some grades are filling up faster than others.

Congratulations: Congratulations to Caiden Barnes and his mother Shelia who were fully initiated into the Church at the Easter Vigil here at St. Clare.

Congratulations to those who made their First Communion this month: Sebastian Garay Garcia, Isabella Garduno, Sean Harris, Ruth Lagos, Madeline Lepera, Kennedy Perkins, Todd Perkins, Ciara Pongratz and Trelise Smith.

Congratulations to our students who made their Confirmation this month: Frannie Boyle, Faustina Kruk, Raquel Lagos, Nicholas Lundberg, Danny McNamara, Miles Morman, David Watt and Elena Zakolski.

Circle of Grace: We are preparing to begin our Teaching Touching Safety unit the week of May 8th. This year we will be using the program "Circle of Grace." This program teaches that God has created each of us as unique and special. Genesis 1:27 tells us that we are created "male and female in God's image" and that God saw this as "very good." In that goodness, we are meant to respect ourselves and everyone else as persons created and loved by God.

Adults assist children/young people to recognize God's love by helping them to understand that each of us lives and moves in a Circle of Grace. You can imagine your own Circle of Grace by putting your arms above your head then circle down in front of your body including side to side. This circle, front to back, holds who you are in your body and through your senses. It holds your very essence in mind, heart, soul, and sexuality.

Helpful information about this program has been put on our website www.stclareschool.net under News/Info and then to parent support.

This program teaches children how to respect themselves and their body. It teaches them about people who are "safe adults," and those to stay away from. It teaches about child predators and sexual abuse at their age level. It is a great program and one in which I believe each child should participate.

If you would like to peruse the lessons for each grade, the book is available in the office. Or you could see the home-room teacher. I will assume that your child will participate in this program unless you give me in writing by May 5th a letter stating that the Safe Environment training is offered to your child and that you do not allow your child to participate.

Thank you. God bless you and your family.

If you have any questions, please call or email Mr. Fisher.

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St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic
School is to be a gospel presence
in our diverse community and
provide opportunities to develop
each child's God given talents.

