



CONN-AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

"Centered in Christ"

March 2025

L – Learning to be a better person. Listening to His Word.

Lifting up our neighbors. Loving our enemies.

E – Evaluating our choices. Exercising our goodness. Escaping evil.

Expiating our sins. Encountering the Lord.

N – Necessitating prayer. Nourishing our souls. Noticing good works.

Navigating through bad habits. Nurturing those in need.

T – Teaching others about Him. Treating others with kindness.

Tending to the Sabbath in Holy ways. Telling the truth.





Ash Wednesday

This year, Ash Wednesday is on March 5th and marks the start of the Lenten Season. Our entire school body will be attending Mass at Immaculate Conception church at 9:30 a.m. This day will be a formal attire day. We hope you will join us.



Stations of the Cross

Our students lead us in the Stations of the Cross each week during Lent, providing an opportunity to truly reflect on what suffering Jesus incurred for us. It is meaningful to be able to put yourself in that time and place to appreciate how deeply he values each of us. We hope you and your family take advantage of the many opportunities around the diocese, where Stations of the Cross are being held.



Know Him

Our fifth and sixth graders will be attending a “Know Him” event at Christ the Shepherd Center on Wednesday, March 19. Sponsored by the Diocese of Greensburg, we love any opportunity to get to know Him better.



Celebrate Catholic Schools Breakfast

Each year, all the schools in the Diocese of Greensburg celebrate our schools with a special breakfast. During this event, three teachers and one principal in the diocese are recognized with the Golden Apple Award. A few years ago, our own Mrs. Colvin was the recipient of this great honor. It is also at this breakfast that grants are awarded to three schools for capital improvements. This is how we had the financial means to support the purchases of our greenhouse and our aquaponics system – two different awards in two different years. We hope to continue to improve our school facilities through such innovative ideas. Finally, each school awards one student the Student Spotlight Award. This award goes to students who show themselves to be excellent examples of what it means to be dedicated to the role of a student centered in Christ. A group of us will be attending this event on March 13th at Stratigos in Irwin.



Student Spotlight Award

Congratulation to Travis Snyder, recipient of the Student Spotlight Award. Travis, a sixth grader, has been a student here since preschool. Travis is a hard worker, maintaining good grades throughout each grade level. He is kind and generous with his time, offering to help whenever needed. Travis has played on the basketball team for seven years with the Upward Program. He has been a member of the Culver Karate Club for the past three years and has earned a blue belt. Travis volunteers with his mother selling tickets for the school on the weekends, after Mass. Travis is an avid chess player where he competes well in the annual Conn-Area Catholic School Chess Tournaments. Travis loves helping his dad on their farm, where he also spends time riding his quad. He enjoys building with Legos and playing video games. His leadership job at school is assisting with the Robotics program. Travis will receive his award at the breakfast on March 13. We are so proud of him.

Re-registration and FACTS Grant & Aid Application Deadline March 15th

Your student's re-registration for 2025-26 and your family's FACTS grant & aid application should be completed and submitted by March 15th. Please do the student's re-registration first, then the family's grant & aid application for tuition assistance. After your FACTS grant & aid application is submitted, you must then upload a copy of your 2023 or 2024 1040(including all schedules). Please see the flyer in this packet for further details. You may contact Mrs. Baker at any time for assistance.



St. Patrick's Day

March 17th is St. Patrick's Day. Students may dress down in green that day. St. Patrick brought Christianity to the people of Ireland. It is believed that he taught about the Holy Trinity using a three-leaf clover.



End of the Third Quarter

March 24th marks the last day of the third nine weeks. You should be receiving your child's report card through Document Delivery during the first week of April.

Parent/Teacher Conferences



Our Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on Friday, March 28. Students will not be in school that day. We encourage all families to sign up to attend, as this is a great way to best serve your child, when we gather to share information. Your child's teacher will provide you with an appointed time. Please be prompt.



Grandbuddy Breakfast

Our third graders will be hosting their grandparents for a small breakfast and a little show. This is for grandparents only, however, if a child does not have a grandparent, a 'grandbuddy' may be substituted. This is always a wonderful event that has become a long-time tradition.

Marathon Day



Our Marathon Day is not until May 2nd, however, much needs to happen to get us to the starting gate. This is a mandatory fundraiser for Kindergarten through 6th grade, per our handbook. Please see the information packet enclosed. We love to have many families attend, but clearances ARE REQUIRED. Hopefully, this provides you with ample time to get those items in order. It's never too soon to pray for good weather!



Girls Volleyball Season

The girls' volleyball program is fielding two teams this year. Our Junior JV consists of 3rd and 4th graders and the JV team is our 5th and 6th graders. Returning as coach is Brooke Allen and new to our CYO program, but not new to volleyball is Ashley Staffieri. We are excited for a great season. We hope you will take notice of when our home games are and join us in cheering on the girls.

Mark Your Calendar

Mark your calendar for these upcoming events:

- April 3rd – Wax Museum – conducted by our 4th, 5th, and 6th grade students
- April 11th – Benefactors' Appreciation Mass – 9:30 a.m.
- April 22nd to the 25th – IOWA Testing Week – grades 3rd through 6th
- April 29th – Crazy Hat Day
- April 30th – Family Liturgy/Sixth Grade Graduation Mass – 7:00 p.m.
- May 2nd – Marathon Day
- May 6th – Final PTG meeting and May Crowning
- May 14th – Arts Fest – 5:00 to 7:00
- May 28th – Last day for 6th grade
- May 29th – Last day for PK
- May 30th – Last day for K through 5th

