

November Newsletter II: November 15, 2024

Assumption Catholic School

Desk of Mrs. Shumny

Dear Parents,

I want to take a moment to thank all of you for coming to parent-teacher conferences. Your commitment to your child's education is truly inspiring, and it was wonderful to see so many engaging and meaningful conversations about your child's progress. Open communication between home and school is one of the most powerful ways to support your student. These conferences are a reminder of how vital our partnership is in ensuring every student thrives academically, socially, emotionally and spiritually. Even uncomfortable conversations have so much value! By working together, we create a strong foundation that encourages growth and understanding.

I wanted to take a moment to review our homework policy. Homework plays a critical role in reinforcing the skills and concepts your child is learning in school. It helps build responsibility, independence, and time management. Homework provides an opportunity for practice and review that supports long-term success. At ACS, we strive to assign homework that is purposeful and developmentally appropriate. Below is our guideline for the average amount of time students should spend on homework each day:

- PK and Kindergarten: 10 minutes
- Grade 1: 20 minutes
- Grade 2: 30 minutes
- Grade 3: 40 minutes
- Grade 4: 50 minutes
- Grade 5: 60 minutes
- Grade 6: 70 minutes
- Grades 7 & 8: 80 minutes

These times reflect the effort of an average student. Speedier workers may finish faster, while others may need a bit more time, especially if they take breaks for snacks or to refocus. If you notice that your child is consistently spending significantly more time than suggested, please don't hesitate to reach out to their teacher to discuss strategies.

Lastly, I want to give a huge thank you to our parents who came to work the ACS book fair. We earned $3,175 in Scholastic Money. Total Fair Sales were $6,350! This money allows us to shop in the Scholastic book for classroom supplies including carpets, sharpeners and of course books for our classroom libraries!

Thank you for your continued partnership in supporting your child's learning journey!

God Bless,

Mrs. Shumny

THIS WEEK'S: **TOP STORIES**

Third and fourth grade Children's Liturgy: A Special Day with Special People - Today, our third and fourth graders gathered for a beautiful Children's Liturgy, joined by their "special person" – a parent, grandparent, or family friend who came to celebrate with them. Third and fourth grade led the liturgy, including reading the day's gospel message. They did an amazing job!



The reading, 1 Timothy 4:4-8, 16, inspired both young and old. It reminded us:

"… everything God created is good, and nothing is to be rejected when it is received with thanksgiving, for it is made holy by God's word and by prayer….."

Father Ivan spoke warmly and encouraged everyone to live with gratitude for God's blessings and to commit to spiritual growth. He also emphasized the importance of helping our neighbors, not just through words, but through our actions. "We are called to guide and support those around us," he said, "showing love and kindness in everything we do."

The students' singing and even reading the scripture and their prayers, truly brought the liturgy to life. Their enthusiasm was heartfelt and beautiful! Great job third and fourth grade!











Upcoming Events

Wednesday, November 20th: Confessions

Thursday, November 21st: 7pm FSA Meeting!

Friday, November 22nd: 8th grade Ring Ceremony, Faithful Connections for grade 3 and the 7-8 LOCK IN (yes they are sleeping at school!)

Wednesday, November 7th: Thanksgiving Feast - performance by Junior Drama at 9am! Remember it is a 12:30 dismissal: NO CLUBS and NO AFTERCARE

Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th: No Classes HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Family and School Association Corner:

💙**CHRISTMAS BAZAAR NEWS**: Have any new and never opened gifts? Maybe a candle you don't love, a wallet that's never been opened? How about all those cooking gadgets you think you just will never use? Board games? Gift Cards? SEND THEM IN! **Thank you to the Mavica Family, Rashkevych Family, Miranda Family, Metz Family, Hychun Family, Carmona Family, Rashkevych Family for the Bazaar Donations.Thank you to the Iammatteo Family, Soto Family and E. Marte family for the wonderful donations!**

Mrs. Sills, Chairperson, is still collecting $2 or a promise to help her bake!

Thank you to the following families for signing up to bake and/or making a donation towards this table: Chobit Family, Tejada Family, Hall Family, Mavica Family, Fedchyshyn Family, Carapella Family, Metz Family, Hillers Family, Soto Family, Gonzalez Family, Calderon Family, Minier Family, Aleksidze Family, Centrone Family, Tkachuk Family. MORE FAMILIES! Thank you to Bermudez-Correa Family, Buryi Family, and Flati Family. We are so blessed!! Thank you to the Ballantyne Family, Mrs. Phyllis, Gonzalez Family, Torres Family, Bucior Family, Mussenden Family, Hychun Family! Thank you Novak Family and Beneche Family! MORE GRATITUDE - Thank you to Kharchenko family, Terron Family, Miniez Family, and SueroDeLeon Family

LAST DAY FOR CLASSROOM BASKET IS NEXT WEDNESDAY!! IT'S CRUNCH TIME!



Parish Corner:

💒 **Looking to join a parish? Look no further! Join us at Ukrainian Assumption parish any Sunday at 11:30am.**

First Holy Communion is scheduled for Sunday, May 18th and Mrs. Phyllis will be sending home letters by the beginning of December.

Are you in third through eighth grade and want to receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion for the first time? See Mrs. Shumny ASAP!