



Mater Dei Academy Weekly

September 27th, 2019

Upcoming Events and Reminders:

Holy Mass will be on *Friday, October 4th* at 8 AM. All are invited! Please let us know if you will attend to ensure enough hosts for Holy Communion.

The servers for Mass will be Madison Hewitt and Xavier Mascari, and the reader will be Munro Hewitt.

During these hot days, have your children bring a water bottle for the classroom and for recess.

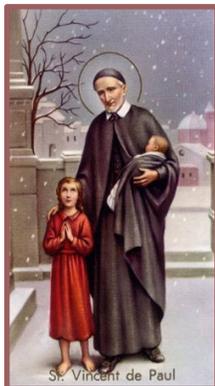
Mrs. Moss' Corner

For the Christmas Program, we need an artificial Christmas tree with non-breakable ornaments and lights as part of the set. If anyone has an extra one that will not be used this holiday season, please may we borrow it? Let me know ASAP.

On Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays, due to other obligations, Miss Nicole will not be in the school office. If you have an emergency, please text or call my cell phone at 740-403-1828.

Snacks for the Christmas Program is themed "Christmas Around the World". This is part of the report each student will be doing for Geology. They already have a country picked out. I wanted to give you extra time in preparing for making the Christmas Sweet Treat. (Doesn't have to be cookies.)

Feast Day: Saint Vincent de Paul



St. Vincent de Paul was born in 1581 to a poor peasant family in France. His first formal education was provided by the Franciscans. He continued his formal studies at the University of Toulouse, and was ordained in 1600. In 1605, while on a ship, he was captured and sold as a slave. He and his master managed to escape and return to France, where he resumed his studies.

In Rome, Vincent became a count's chaplain and was placed in charge of distributing money to the deserving poor. He began helping and preaching missions to the poor, and even established hospitals. This work became his passion. He later extended his concern and ministry to convicts. To help evangelize and assist the needy, he founded the Ladies of Charity, as well as a religious institute of priests, now known as the Vincentians.

Vincent helped reform the French clergy and the manner in which they were instructed and prepared for the priesthood. He helped develop a precursor to our modern-day seminaries. In addition, he co-founded the Daughters of Charity along with St. Louise de Marillac. He died in 1660 and is sometimes referred to as "The Apostle of Charity" and "The Father of the Poor". His incorrupt heart can be found in the Convent of the Sisters of Charity.

Have a safe and blessed weekend.

God our Father, You gave Vincent de Paul the courage and holiness of an apostle for the well-being of the poor and the formation of the clergy. Help us to be zealous in continuing his work. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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