



# Mater Dei Academy Weekly

September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019

## Upcoming Events and Reminders:

Holy Mass will be on *Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>* 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.

Picture Day will be next Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. Students may bring their gym uniforms and change into them afterwards. Don't forget your order forms if you are not ordering online.

### Mrs. Moss' Corner

Congratulations go to Olivia Mascari for entering, this past April, The America Library of Poetry Student Poetry Contest and being chosen to have her poem published in the 2019 Student Poetry Collection!

It's only 98 days until our 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. 740-403-1828.

## Feast Day: St. John Chrysostom



St. John, named Chrysostom (golden-mouthed) on account of his eloquence, was born in Antioch to Christian parents. He studied rhetoric under the famed orator Libanius, a pagan.

In 374, he began life as an anchorite in the mountains near Antioch, but in 386 his poor health forced him to return, and he was ordained a priest. He was elevated to the See of Constantinople in 398 and became one of the greatest lights of the Church. Theophilus, Patriarch of Alexandria, opposed him but repented of this before he died. His most powerful enemy was the empress Eudoxia. Several accusations were brought against him in a pseudo-council, and he was sent into exile.

In the midst of his sufferings, like St. Paul, whom he so greatly admired, he found the greatest peace and happiness. The Pope remained his friend and did for him what lay in his power. His enemies, still unsatisfied with his sufferings, banished him further to Pythius, at the very extremity of the Empire. He died on his way there in 407.

*Have a safe and blessed weekend.*

Father, the strength of all who trust in You,  
You made John Chrysostom renowned for his eloquence  
and heroic in his sufferings.  
May we learn from his teaching  
and gain courage from his patient endurance.  
Amen.

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