



FEBRUARY 9, 2018

Highlights of the Week

By Ms. DeVaney-Wilkes

Religion:

Much of the week was spent preparing for the School Mass on February 9th. Thank you so much to all the families who were able to attend Friday's celebration of the Eucharist. Remember – Love, and love more!



We also learned about Ash Wednesday, and made Lenten promises based on prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. These extra acts of love and/or the sacrifices we make during the 40 days of Lent help us get ready to truly celebrate the Risen Lord as Easter People!

Everyone is welcome to pray with the school and parish community on Ash Wednesday, February 14th at 8:30 a.m. in the church. Turn away from sin and follow the Gospel.

Math:

Counting groups of coins and

solving money-related problems takes lots of practice to master. So throughout the week, all our math lessons focused on these important skills.

Reading:



Luke Goes to Bat by Rachel Isadora was our reading selection. Students learned some background information about baseball legend Jackie Robinson, too! Target vocabulary words were practiced in context. **Antonyms** were explored,

and this week's comprehension skill was **sequence**.

English:

Pronouns used in the subject and predicate parts of sentences were practiced. We also studied pronoun-verb agreement. Fictional narratives are also being written.

Spelling:

Unit 19 spelling test

Handwriting

The lowercase cursive letters **c** and **q** were introduced and practiced.

Social Science

The **marketplace** is our new topic. Information and activities were centered about **producers, consumers, goods, and services**.

Lunchtime Read Aloud:

Mrs. Piggie Wiggle

by Betty MacDonald

Student of the Week

Madeline Huss was our S.O.T.W. Everyone enjoyed her Emoji poster and all the special things she brought to share. The panda bank from China, her mom's

Strawberry Shortcake doll, geodes, and photos were a few of the highlights. It was fun getting to know Madeline better this week!



Parent/Teacher Conferences

Winter conferences on February 15th and 16th are by request. The school will contact you if I have requested a conference. If you would like to meet with me, please sign up for a time. Thank you!

Auction

The auction is **February 10th**. Information is on the school website.



Valentine's Day

This year, February 14th

falls on Ash Wednesday. So we are going to celebrate one day early on the 13th.

My annual gift to the students is a simple breakfast followed by opening Valentines. A class list was sent home earlier this week. Please be sure to include everyone!

Always Do Your Best!

Please support me in encouraging your child to do his/her best at school. In their work, and in their behavioral choices, it's important that children are frequently reminded to stop, and think before choosing an action. It's typical that second graders become more complacent at this time of year, and don't put as much effort into doing their best each day. Please guide your child through a self-evaluation about choices like producing quality work, using appropriate words, being respectful of each other's bodies, following directions, and listening. Making good choices is beneficial for each individual and our classroom learning community as a whole. Thank you!!!