



January 25, 2018

Nan-o-Gram

We are very excited to celebrate Catholic Schools Week, January 28th through February 3rd. This year's national theme is **Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.**

For parents and families new to Holy Spirit, a little background as to why next week is the center of our attention. The focus of the entire week is to spotlight Catholic school students across the nation, highlighting the impact and accomplishments these students have throughout the world, our nation, their community, within their families and in their school setting. We do lots of special activities with events that focus on the value Catholic education provides to young people and contributions to the Church, local communities and the nation, and generally we just have a really good time throughout campus. For example, we decorate classroom windows, participate in daily prayer services, make thank you cards for those who contribute so much to our school, extend morning meetings to include skits reflecting our F.A.I.T.H. schoolwide learning expectations, and the list goes on. Each class chooses different grade appropriate activities, some as a grade and some in conjunction with other grade levels...whatever floats their creative boats!

To kick off the week, staff and students are preparing the All-School Mass at St. Anthony Chapel this Sunday, January 28th at the 11am Mass followed by hosting the hospitality coffee hour in the cafeteria. Everyone is invited to come together and share in the celebration of faith, education and service. Please join us this Sunday morning!

Again, we are very proud of our children, our staff, and our school as we encompass the core values that can be found at our school and Catholic schools across the country. Not only are we teaching students to become future servant leaders, faith-filled disciples and enriched citizens in our communities, we as educators are growing

with them. We are all learners, servants and leaders...shared qualities that make Catholic schools work and what makes Catholic schools succeed. I again invite you to help us celebrate this year's theme...**Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.**

Keep reading to your amazing children!
Mrs. Corgiat

AND HERE IS THE PLAN:

*Next week our morning meeting will be held at 8:30 a.m. in the church. (Students will still need to be at school at the regular time, tardy bell rings at 8:10 – we are just changing meeting time!) The students will come together in prayer, song and skit.

*Our service project will be cleaning the church on Friday.

Monday, Jan. 29 – “F” focus on Faith presented by the 1st and 2nd grades. School will be dismissed at 1:00 p.m. Teachers will meet in the afternoon to pray a Novena for our school.

Tuesday, Jan. 30 – “A” focus on Academics presented by 5th grade. Students will also participate in a “Living Rosary” led by Mrs. Kaiser.

Wednesday, Jan. 31 – “I” Integrity presented by the middle school at our school Mass.

Thursday, Feb. 1 – “T” Take responsibility presented by 3rd grade. We are making plans for the students to have time to visit with Fr. LaChance, Deacon Scott, Sr. Paul Mary and Sr. Mary Colman about their vocations.

Friday, Feb. 2 – “H” Helping others presented by the 4th grade. Parents are invited to join us before school for coffee and cookies and to visit their child's classroom. This event is in celebration of you and we would love to have you join us for the morning meeting in the chapel as well. Our Lego/Robotic teams will also be presenting their plays for their upcoming competition.

Saturday, Feb. 3 – First Reconciliation for 2nd grade students.

MID TERM GRADES

Mid term grades for the 2nd trimester for grades 4 – 8 will be available for viewing after 5:00 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 26 through *FastDirect*. Please contact your child's teacher or Mrs. Corgiat if you have concerns.



MARDI GRAS DINNER AUCTION

Thank you to everyone who has brought in their "item" for the dinner

auction. We have a wide variety of items to auction off both in the silent and live auction, so we are very excited!

Corey Wight from the Sandtrap has created this delicious Mardi Gras menu for us:

Appetizer

Chipotle Pepper and Artichoke Dip

Dinner

Mardi Gras Salad

Blackened Cajun Chicken Breasts

Shrimp Gumbo

Red Beans

Dirty Rice

Flat Bread

Dessert

Louisiana Bread Pudding with Whiskey Sauce

We hope that everyone is planning on attending and bringing lots of friends and family to spend their money! Ha! Tickets are \$35.00 per person which includes dinner and a chance to win \$100.00! Tickets are available in the school office.

Contact Marie Smith at 208-244-2120 or smithma@hscsidaho.org with any questions.



JANUARY DATES TO REMEMBER

26 - 2nd trimester MID TERM grades released for grades 4 – 8

29 - Professional Development – Early Release – Students released at 1:00 p.m.

Feb. 3 – Lego/Robotics Competition in Twin Falls

A Dozen Reasons to Choose Catholic Schools

1. **We offer an education that combines Catholic faith and teachings with academic excellence.**
2. **We partner with parents in the faith formation of their children.**
3. **We set high standards for student achievement and help them succeed.**
4. **We provide a balanced academic curriculum that integrates faith, culture and life.**
5. **We use technology effectively to enhance education.**
6. **We instill in students the value of service to others.**
7. **We teach children respect of self and others.**
8. **We emphasize moral development and self-discipline.**
9. **We prepare students to be productive citizens and future leaders.**
10. **We have a 99 percent high school graduation rate. 85 percent of our graduates go to college.**
11. **We cultivate a faculty and staff of people who are dedicated, caring and effective.**
12. **We provide a safe and welcoming environment for all.**

Taken from The National Catholic Educational Association

