

ECHOES OF ANGELS

Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ...

Conferences

We look forward to meeting with you during Parent-Teacher Conferences next Monday and Tuesday. As a reminder, Tuesday is a half-day of school with no bus service home. All 7th & 8th graders must attend conferences with their parents.

KIDS Helping Kids

Our KIDS Club is sponsoring a food drive so that no kid has to go hungry for Thanksgiving. Please be generous and send in food items to support the KIDS Club message to feed the hungry.

Lost and Found

During our conference times next week, please browse our lost and found table in the lobby to retrieve your child's lost items.

Restaurant Days

Culver's Day in Oswego is Monday and Mother's Pancake House is always on Sunday mornings.



Hooked on Books

Our annual Book Fair began this week. Purchase days are during conferences on November 20 & 21. One of our goals for this year is to build literacy in our preschool by adding more books to their libraries so a large portion of our proceeds will go to this worthy cause.

Making Spirits Bright

Because we are "rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ," one of the lessons that we try to teach our students in a very tangible way is to take care of the needs of those who are less fortunate than we are. This year we will be collecting new toys for Hesus House





Homework Help

Quizlet.com gives middle school students the edge on studying vocabulary by making flashcards. This site also allows you to search millions of flashcards sets or create your own, take fill-in-the-blank tests, play competitive timed learning games, and more.

KhanAcademy.com is the go-to site for math and science help in all grades. Students can watch videos, work problems, and take quizzes.

Mathway.com provides answers and steps to math problems for basic math, algebra, graphs, and more. The student enters the problem and Mathway checks the answer or solves the problem, but if you want to view the steps, there is a monthly subscription fee. But be careful, this could be used to cheat rather than aid learning.

High School Events

We advertise upcoming events on our website under *School Information*. Be sure to check it out as we add new items each week. For 8th graders considering Marmion or Rosary there is new information posted about their entrance exams to held on Saturday, December 2.

because we want every child to experience the joy of Christmas. There will be boxes located in our lobby to drop off new unwrapped toys for any age (Doc McStuffins, Mickey Mouse Clubhouse, Ninja Turtles, Batman, Spiderman, Paw Patrol, etc.) Also please remember teens with items like makeup sets/palettes, perfume/cologne, lotion sets, nail polish/manicure sets, wallets, or gadget watches. God bless you in your charitableness. .

Next Week at a Glance

Monday - Conferences 4-7 PM

Tuesday - Early Dismissal 11:30 No bus service home
Conferences 1-7 PM

Wednesday - No School

Thursday - No School

Friday - No School



Bringing Home the Faith

How can we — sincerely say “thanks” to our Heavenly Father? Well, thankfully our Creator has given us a lot of ways to do just that. Here are seven of them:

1. Go to Mass

No doubt you know the word “eucharist” is from the Greek for “thanksgiving” or “gratitude.” But, of course, uppercase-“E” Eucharist refers to Mass and the Blessed Sacrament. When the Catechism of the Catholic Church asks “What is this sacrament called?” its first answer is “Eucharist, because it is an action of thanksgiving to God.” Great! Go to Mass. A done deal. Next. Not so fast. It’s an action of thanksgiving, which certainly implies us doing something there besides stand, sit, kneel, walk up for Communion, stay for a closing hymn and head out the door. Without our actively taking part in the Mass — praying with others, offering our own private prayers, reverently receiving the Blessed Sacrament, joining in the singing — then we’re pretty much like that child blurting a fast and nearly thoughtless “thank you” to appease Mom.

2. Do what Jesus told us to do

Uh oh. What does that mean for us? Yes, he said take part in the breaking of the bread in memory of him (Lk 22:19), but he also mentioned something about “love one another as I have loved you” (Jn 13:34).

What better way to show gratitude for the gift of faith than to live the Faith? How do we live it? Love as Jesus loved. And how do we do that? Find out by spending some time this year — each month, each week, each day — reading about how he did it. Spend time “praying” the Gospels. Then, too, living the Faith — living our gratitude to God — means living the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Sometimes that can be particularly challenging, but other times it’s pretty simple. Small choices throughout the day can develop over time into virtuous habits that make us more inclined and better prepared to tackle those challenging opportunities.

3. Don’t put a gift from God in your sock drawer

What? Sometimes we receive a gift from a family member or friend and quietly tuck it away in a dresser drawer. It’s not something we need, want, know how to use or even like. When we do that with a gift from God it runs counter to what Jesus taught in the Parable of the Talents (Mt 25:14-30). The lesson? Use what God gives you! Maybe he gave you an ability to teach so that, one way or another, you need to be a “teacher.” (Beyond the classroom, there are lots of ways to help others learn.) Maybe you’re quite the baker. Or mechanic. Or listener. Or comic. Or motivator. Sometimes a gift becomes a profession, but, not infrequently, it’s an avocation. (You’re the one who supplies those marvelous casseroles for funeral receptions.) Pay attention to the talents God has given you, develop them, and use them to help others.

4. Say ‘thank you’ to others ... and mean it

Consider this: In describing the Last Judgment, Jesus said, “What you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me” (Mt 25:45). So part of what you can easily do for others throughout the year, which is this gift from God, is thank them. “Thank you” to the store clerk. Your child’s teacher. The Sunday homilist. And on and on.

5. Write it down

Even those who hold little stock in religion or spirituality have discovered keeping a daily journal or log of people, events and things for which they’re grateful helps them mentally and physically.

You — lucky you, thank God — have that added layer or, more accurately, that foundation of Catholicism. Jotting down a few things at the end of every day can be a prayer of thanksgiving. Why? Because you know the source of all goodness, blessings, grace and love.

6. Take care of yourself

Not taking your health for granted is a key way of thanking God for the priceless gift that is good health. Sometimes that’s relatively simple. Paying a bit more attention to including fruits and vegetables in your diet. Flossing. Cutting back on screen time to get more sack time. (Our Sunday Visitor)

Mass Times: *Saturdays 4:30*
Sundays 6:45, 8:00 (Extraordinary Form, Latin, 1st & 3rd Sundays), 9:30, 11:00

Confession Times: *Sunday after 9:30 Mass*
Tuesday after 8:00 Mass
Wednesday 6:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Friday after 6:30 AM Mass
Saturday after 8:15 Mass and 3:15 PM - 4:00 PM

Mission Statement

Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, Holy Angels School is committed to spiritual formation, which nurtures the Catholic faith and inspires its practice. It is committed to academic excellence, which fosters the growth of each individual. Holy Angels School strives to meet the intellectual, social, and ethical challenges of living in a technological, global, and culturally diverse society.

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