Lenten Prayer

Lord, as we travel through this Lenten journey, help us to remember how much we need you and how much we need redemption. May our Lenten practices be a way to clear the clutter in our lives so that we may focus outside ourselves and be more aware of our brothers and sisters who need us. Bless these days with your Word. Let your light shine in the darkness. Help us to remember where we come from and where we are going. We acknowledge our deep need for your grace and love. We pray that this Lenten season will enable us to be so much more aware of your presence in our lives and thus, so much more capable of our work to care for your children and for each other. As we move closer to the celebration of Easter may we know the joy and hope that the Resurrection brings! Amen.



Scholarships

The Youngstown Diocesan Confederation of Teachers will once again be offering an opportunity for scholarships for YDCT members' children and step-children in YDCT schools.

See ydct.us for instructions.

Building representatives will share the details! Email your building representative if you have any questions!

News from the Front

Central Catholic High School

Congratulations once again to basketball coach, athletic director, and English teacher, Matt Creamer for leading his basketball team to the district championship. Our girls basketball team also were district champs this year. Several wrestlers, one of our bowlers and two indoor track participants also made it to State Competition. Our speech team, coached by English Teacher, Penny Harris, did an excellent job at their state competition. Many of our seniors and some juniors are on a trip soon to Washington D.C. with Jerry Hudnall, who teaches Holocaust Literature, to visit the Holocaust Museum there. Our Spanish teacher Jenny Carlson is bringing a group to visit Spain over spring break. Our Spring Musical in conjunction with STA will be *The Sound of Music*. This week our theater group, under the direction of Da-



vid Scholl and Tricia Ostertag, will be performing 2 student directed one acts: "The Twelve Hangry Jurors" and "Death at the Crossroads" Mr. French, our President, has been visiting classes for a chance to interact with our students. He is pictured here in YDCT president and Physics teacher Doc Lozier's class.



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Your building representatives will tell you when they will be available.

News from the Front continued...





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St. Charles

It's been an exciting time here at St. Charles! We recently celebrated Catholic Schools Week with a successful Open House, showcasing our exceptional curriculum, talented teachers, and wonderful facilities to prospective students. Throughout the week, our students enjoyed a variety of fun activities, including a movie outing, a magic show, "Minute to Win It" games, and a special Mass celebration.

In February, our 8th grade students celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop Bonnar. In addition, our eighth-grade students demonstrated their mastery of the Scientific Method by presenting their research projects and experiments at the Science Fair on February 21st.

Our second-grade students also impressed us with their Living Wax Museum on February 26th, where they took on the roles of famous historical figures and shared their knowledge with enthusiasm.

Currently, our seventh-grade students are busy researching historical events for the upcoming History Fair on April 25th. We're eagerly anticipating their unique perspectives and insights.

Additionally, several of our talented students had their artwork selected for the Butler Art Museum's Young Artists show. We're incredibly proud of their creativity, dedication, and hard work.



More News from the Front...

St. Charles—continued



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St. Nicholas



We love going to School Mass. Our Eighth graders praying with Kindergarten.



Congratulations to 2nd grader Aubree, her Knights of Columbus "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster won at the local level and placed 3rd at the state level. Now it will go on to the K of C national level. Good luck sweet Aubree! We are so very proud of you!



Miss Young's Kindergarten Class all ready to catch the Leprechaun.



Our 8th graders had an amazing field trip to Choffin Career & Technical Center and the Youngstown Historical Center of Industry & Laborlearning about the past, present, and future of industry and career opportunities!



News from the Front

Ursuline High School

Congratulations to Staci Raab who received the Secondary Educator of the Year award at the Mahoning Valley Educator of the Year Awards Ceremony this past week!







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Among the basic rights of the human person must be counted the right of freely founding labor unions.

These unions should be truly able to represent the workers and to contribute to the proper arrangement of economic life.

(#68, Gaudium et Spes, Vatican II)