

Bear Blast January 8 - 12, 2024



Our Mission - United by our core values of Faith, Family, Knowledge and Service, St. Anthony Catholic School is committed to providing a learning environment that promotes academic excellence, spiritual growth, and moral development. Preparing students to be good stewards of God's gifts.



Dear St. Anthony Families,

It was wonderful seeing our students back in the building!

Report cards will be coming home in the Tuesday Folder this week. Can you believe we have started our third quarter? Wow! Please remember if you feel you need to discuss your child with their teacher, I encourage you to schedule a conference. Communication between parent and teacher is especially important to the learning process of a student.

We need wine! Two bottles of wine per family would be great. If you can help the auction committee, your generosity would be appreciated! We will be using this wine for Wine Baskets, Wine Toss and many other fun things! White, Red, Blend or Blush- you choose, we can use it all! Please drop off wine this week through the 19th of January. Again, your help is appreciated!

It is with profound sadness that we say good-bye to Executive Director of SCISA, Dr. Spencer Jordan. Dr. Jordan passed away on January 3, 2024, after a courageous battle with cancer. Dr. Jordan's contributions and his shared field of expertise were invaluable, and his absence will be deeply felt. He loved visiting our school and attended every SCISA event we attended with a welcoming smile and great support for education. We encourage you to join us in keeping Dr. Jordan's wife, Kimber, and their sons, Jake and Mickey, as well as the entire Jordan family, in your thoughts and prayers.

Wonderful information is coming home in the Tuesday folder regarding the auction! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask. Don't forget to get your tickets! This is a wonderful night to enjoy our friends, meet new people, eat delicious food, dance, and celebrate our school!

Have a wonderful week and remember "God is good all the time. All the time God is good!"

Blessings,

Mrs. Lalemmo



January 9 - Report Cards Issued January 12-13 – Eastern District Honors Band Clinic January 15 – NO SCHOOL – MLK Holiday January 16 – Lower School Battle of the Books (virtual) January 17 – Middle School Battle of the Books (virtual) January 18 – January Birthday NUT Card Day January 20 – Auditions for Region Band January 23 – SCISA Spelling Bee, Manning January 24 – STEAM Bus for 4th Grade; January 25 – St. Paul Feast Day January 26 – Noon Dismissal; Chorus sings at Mass; Father Daughter Dance January 28 – Tailgating Kick-Off Party Jan. 28 - Feb. 3 - Catholic Schools Week February 3 – Honky-Tonk Hoedown Auction Gala February 5 – 2:00 Dismissal February 5 - 23 - MAP Testing **January 15, 2024** Remembering DR. MARTIN LUTHER

No School for students and staff

KING, JR.



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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Keep Christ In Christmas POSTER CONTEST

Congratulations to our School Winners!

Grades 1 - 2

First Place	Katherine Gibbons		
Second Place	Jake Carbonell		
Third Place	Cyrine Seif		
Grades 3 - 5			
First Place	Jana Seif		
Second Place	Isabella Narvaez		
Third Place	Maggie Weaver		
Grades 6 - 8			
First Place	Makinsey Lawrence		
Second Place	Maddie Tilton		



Tuesday	3:30 – 5:00 p.m.	All Newsies
Thursday	3:30 – 5:00 p.m.	All Newsies

January 25th is "Off-Book", which means all lines and songs should be memorized. No books will be allowed "on stage".



The St. Anthony School Honky-Tonk Hoedown will host a Tailgate Party January 28th to kickoff Catholic Schools Week and build up to the Auction/Gala. The Men's Club will be cooking, but we need school families to volunteer to assist with activities.

On Sunday, we need at least 5 volunteers 10:00–11:00 to begin setting up. We will need at least 8 volunteers beginning at 2:30. For clean up, we need as many people as possible. This does NOT need to fall on the Men's Club. They do SO much for our school!

If you need additional information, please contact Marie Glinski at saintanthonygala@gmail.com

A Prayer for the New Year

God, thank you for a new year. May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate. We know that you are always ready to forgive us. Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another.

As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time.



St. Anthony Catholic School was featured in *The Miscellany*, a publication of the Diocese of Charleston. Please use this link to view the article: <u>St. Anthony</u> <u>Prayer Garden</u>.

Remember to go online to complete orders for January hot lunch.

IMPORTANT UPDATE ON PROTECTING GODS CHILDREN

KEEPING OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT Child and Youth Protection



On an annual basis, the Diocese of Charleston will offer age-appropriate prevention education on sexual abuse of minors and tools to prevent and report it. This prevention training is provided to all students at Catholic schools within the Diocese of Charleston. Please use the following links to review information about the program.

<u>Teaching Boundaries and Safety Reference Guide</u>[™] - a 2-page summary of the program <u>Empowering God's Children</u> – Diocesan website with downloadable files for the entire program

Students will be receiving instruction during their PE Classes January 18 or January 22. The make-up date is January 23. Parents have the option to "opt out". More information will be sent in the Tuesday Folder.

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January Virtue: Gratitude

Gratitude – seeing everything as a gift from God and being thankful

Thomas Merton wrote, "To be grateful is to recognize the Love of God in everything he has given us. Gratitude therefore takes nothing for granted, is never unresponsive, is constantly awakening to new wonder and to praise of the goodness of God. For the grateful person knows that God is good, not by hearsay but by experience. And that is what makes all the difference" (Thomas Merton: Thoughts in Solitude; Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 1958).



On Wednesday, January 10, at 5:15 p.m. an <u>Athlete Parent</u> <u>Meeting</u> will be held to discuss our new St Anthony Catholic School Parent/Athlete Code of Conduct. At least 1 parent or guardian must be present at the meeting. If you cannot attend please contact Mrs. G at <u>dguerriero@saintanthonycatholic.com</u> or call the school office at 843-662-1910.

BASKETBALL

Schedule for the Week of January 8 - 12

4 th – 6 th Team				
Monday	3:30 – 5:00 p.m.	Practice		
Wednesday	3:30 – 5:00 p.m.	Practice		

Middle School Team				
Wednesday	6:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Practice		

Attention Parents!!!

If you have not already done so, please pay your child's \$45 registration fee before January 16th. Thank you!

Link to Basketball Schedule



Good Luck to our students preparing for the SCISA **Lower School** Regional Competition (virtual competition) on January 16th.

SCISA Page with links to rules and book lists



"Get used to lifting your heart to God, in acts of thanksgiving, many times a day. Because he gives you this and that. Because you have been despised. Because you haven't what you need or because you have. Thank him for everything because everything is good." – St. Josemaria Escrivá

St. Josemaría Escrivá is often considered the saint of ordinary life. He was born in Spain, on January 9, 1902, the second of six children of Jose and Dolores Escriva. Growing up in a devout family and attending Catholic schools, he learned the basic truths of the faith and practices such as frequent confession and communion, the rosary, and almsgiving.

He was ordained to the priesthood on March 28, 1925. On October 2, 1928, while making a retreat in Madrid, God showed him his specific mission: he was to found Opus Dei, an institution within the Catholic Church dedicated to helping people in all walks of life to follow Christ, to seek holiness in their daily life and grow in love for God and their fellow men and women. Aware that God meant Opus Dei to be part of the mission of the universal Church, the founder moved to Rome in 1946 so as to be close to the Holy See.

During Vatican Council II (1962-1965), Monsignor Escriva worked closely with many of the council fathers, discussing key Council themes such as the universal call to holiness and the importance of laypersons in the mission of the Church. Deeply grateful for the Council's teachings, he did everything possible to implement them in the formative activities offered by Opus Dei throughout the world.

Speaking about his own life, St. Josemaria explained that, "the life of a man who lives by faith will always be the story of the mercies of God. At some moments the story may perhaps be difficult to read because everything can seem useless and even a failure. But at other times Our Lord lets one see how the fruit abounds and then it is natural for one's soul to break out in thanksgiving" (Conversations, No. 72).

Monsignor Escriva's death in Rome came suddenly on June 26, 1975, when he was 73. Pope St. John Paul II canonized St. Josemaria in Rome on October 6, 2002. His liturgical feast is celebrated on June 26.



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