PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

St. Catherine of Siena Newsletter January 15, 2019

WEEKLY REFLECTION!

During Christmas, we celebrated the coming of Emmanuel, meaning God is with us. This past weekend we celebrated the Baptismal of the Lord, which ended the Christmas season. When Jesus allowed Himself to be baptized, He was preparing all water, so our sins would be washed away.

In Revelation 3:20 it says, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, then I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with me."

As we enter this new year, let us strive to encounter Jesus in a more personal way and be in relationship with Him.

Important Items

- January 15: Board Meeting-Preparing for the Fiesta
- January 16: Spelling Bee 2pm
- January 18: Knights of Columbus Basketball free throw shot tournament
- January 22: Registration/Scholarship Night

Curriculum

- Grades 1-4 received new Leveled Reader's Books for their classroom libraries.
- Teachers at St. Catherine's have been a part of a 6-Session Professional Development in Guided Reading and their last session is this Friday.
- The Spelling Bee is Wednesday, January 16 at 2:00pm. Each qualified class will host their own Spelling Bee in the classroom prior. Good luck to all the students.

Saint of the Week:

Saint Paul the Hermit

Paul was born in Egypt and orphaned by age 15. During persecution in Egypt, he was forced to hide in a home of a friend, but fled to a cave in the desert, fearing his brother-in-law would turn him in. The sweetness he found in solitude and heavenly contemplation convinced him to stay. After 21 years of solitude, a bird began bringing him half a loaf of bread each day.

St. Anthony of Egypt was led by God to find Paul. The bird brought a whole loaf that day . Anthony would return to bury his new friend.

He was thought to have been 112 years old when he died and is known as the First Hermit.

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