

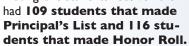
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NOVEMBER 2021

SAINT MICHAEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

St. Michael students did an outstanding job in the 1st

quarter. We are so proud of all our students. We know they have been faced with many challenges these past few years. Our 2nd – 8th grade students received their first nine weeks report cards. We



Congratulations to these students for their hard work and dedication. Principal's List students received a treat of donuts and chocolate milk as a reward for doing such a great job. Keep up the hard work!



THANKS! SO

Be the living expression of God's kindness, kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile.

- St. Teresa of Calcutta

Fall is here! We are enjoying this beautiful fall weather and the changing of the seasons. In our Catholic faith, **November is devoted to honoring the Saints and praying for the Souls in Purgatory.** This reminds us that we are joined in union with the Communion of Saints. This is a great time for us to reflect on our lives and try to live as the Saints did. This month we will also celebrate **Thanksgiving.** As Christians, it is important to give thanks for the graces and blessings that God has bestowed on us throughout the year. The end of the month also marks the beginning of our Advent season when we prepare for the coming of Christ. As we go through the month of November, the students and faculty will be learning and practicing the virtue of STEWARDSHIP. Stewardship is giving back to God by using your God-given gifts and talents to take care of the world and others.

We've been able to start the month off by being thankful the mask mandate was lifted. Because of this, we were able to celebrate our All Saints Day mass with 3rd – 8th grade students participating in the gym. It was a wonderful sight to see the gym filled with our students. We will slowly begin getting back to our pre-COVID routines with morning assembly and lunch routines. We ask for your patience and continued prayers as we cautiously transition back to normal.

In the beginning of the month of October, **PK4 celebrated German Fest** and learned about the culture and traditions of Germany. They celebrated by dressing, having a class party and performing a German Dance. In spite of COVID, we allowed our PK4 parents and family members to watch the students perform their dance in the gym. They did an amazing job, and they were absolutely adorable. Thank you to our visitors for supporting our PK4 students.

October is the month of Our Blessed Mother and the Rosary. We were unable to do our traditional Living Rosary; however, our 8th grade students did lead the student body in prayer by reciting the Rosary. Our 6th-8th graders were able to participate in the gym, and the other classes participated via ZOOM. This was a beautiful opportunity for our student body and faculty to come together in prayer.

We are so blessed to have our students participate in Prayer Services. Prayer Services offer the opportunity for our students to learn the stories of the Bible. Mrs. Allison's 3rd grade class performed "Fishers of Men" and Mrs. Elise's 2nd grade class performed the story about "Zacchaeus." St. Michael students read the gospel and reenacted the story for the 1st -3rd grade students. Thank you to all parents and family members that attended. With the mask mandate being lifted, we will now allow our PK3-K students to also attend.



ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL & RAYNE CATHOLIC PINK FOOTBALL GAME FOR MILES PERRET CANCER SERVICES



The Crowley community celebrates the Rice Festival in the month of October. Second grade had many great hands-on lessons learning about how rice is planted, grown, and harvested. Farmers from around the area came to visit the 2nd grade with their tractors and farm equipment used to grow

and harvest rice. They were also visited by the Rice Festival Queen and Grand Marshals who spoke to them about their role in teaching others about the rice industry. They were also treated to a rice meal where they were able to taste different rice dishes and festival foods. Our

2nd grade Prince, William Broussard, and Princess, Lucy Thompson, participated in the Jr. King and Queen pageant and the 2nd grade's Rice Festival Childerns' Parade float won 2nd place. Congratulations! Thank you to Mrs. Elise, Ms. Sarah, Mrs. Kelly, and all the parent volunteers that made these events a great experience for our 2nd grade students.



Our Book Fair was held October 25th-29th. It was a blessing to see our St. Michael students given the opportunity to go to the Book Fair this year. We saw many parents and grand-parents come through the halls to bring their little ones to the Book Fair. This was a great way for our St. Michael families to support our students in reading and our library. Thank you to Mrs. Jeanne, parents, grandparents, & volunteer workers for making the Book Fair a success.

Our 4H Club is stronger than ever! Mrs. Sandy Whiting is our sponsor, and she has done a great job. We are looking forward to going back to having our monthly 4H meetings. Thank you to the St. Michael 4H Club and their parents for the treats donated to our faculty during 4H week.

The fall sports have come to an end but not without some winners. Congratulations to our 5th grade girls' volleyball team for being League Champs and our 6th and 8th grade girls' volleyball teams for placing 2nd. Congratulations to our 6th grade flag football team,



they walked away with the League Championship. The St. Michael's football team fell short this year in making the playoff games, but we want to recognize them for working hard and never giving up.

Our St. Michael cheerleaders also did a great job in keeping our school spirit up at school and at the games. Thank you to all the volunteer coaches that gave their time in developing these athletes' skills and love of the game.

Our St. Michael Cheerleaders and football team along with Rayne Catholic's cheerleaders and football team sponsored a Pink Football Game and donated the

proceeds to Miles Perret. St. Michael students were able to participate in the proceeds by having a Pink Dress Day where the money was also donated. They were able to raise \$2,910. Thank you to everyone that participated and helped make this Miles Perret fundraiser a success.



This year we were able to have a **St. Michael's Night at the Notre Dame football game.** Students and faculty that wore their
St. Michael spirit shirts were able to enter the game for free. Many of our St. Michael families enjoyed going out and supporting the Notre
Dame Pios. St. Michael's cheerleaders gave an amazing performance during the 3rd quarter. GO SAINTS & PIOS!

We finished off October with a huge Halloween celebration. The faculty and staff at St. Michael dressed in "Magical

and Mystical" theme costumes. Our PK3-5th grade students were allowed to wear their costumes and the 6th-8th grade students wore Halloween shirts. SPC parents came into the classrooms and helped with the class parties. Students were treated to pizza, candy, drinks, and fun and games. Thank you to the faculty and parents who made this day a fun and exciting day for our students.



As we move into November, let's not forget what our mission is at St. Michael: faith, scholarship, leadership, and service. St. Michael is dedicated to teaching our students how to be kind, compassionate, and loving towards one another. We are also focused on teaching each child academically to succeed. With Thanksgiving approaching, our challenge to our families, students, and faculty is to acknowledge the blessings God has given to all of us and to give Him thanks for them.

Thank you again for your continued prayers and support for St. Michael and its students and faculty. Let's practice the virtue of Stewardship as we continue to strive to be kind and compassionate towards others. May God continue to bless our community and families throughout the year.

God Bless, Your Servant in Christ, **Terri Hebert**, St. Michael Principal

We give thanks to you, O God, we give thanks, for your name is near. We recount your wondrous deeds.
- Psalm 75:1









HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION WITH SAINTS PRE-K4 AND 8TH GRADE BUDDIES











SAINTS 4H OFFICERS 2021-2022



St. Michael School 4-H Officers! The 2021-22 4-H officers selected to lead the Saints 4-H club are: CoPresidents, Ryleigh Oestriecher and Ethan Fusilier; Vice President, Annelise Arceneaux; Secretary, Ella Schmaltz; Chaplain, Cameron Stelly; and Reporter, Sophia Champagne.

4-H empowers young people with the skills to lead for a lifetime.





HALLOWEEN FUN.











ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL STEM & MAKER SPACE LAB

ST. MICHAEL ANNUAL FUND APPEAL 2022

We would like to thank our wonderful donors for their support of the St. Michael Annual Fund. Through your support, St. Michael School is able to give each child the opportunity to receive an excellent Catholic education taught by a highly-qualified faculty and staff. You will be receiving the 2020-21 Annual Report this month. In early 2022, you will receive the Annual Fund Appeal for 2022. Please take the time to open your hearts to help continue making St. Michael School a leader in Catholic education. *God Bless you and your family!*



Special EVENTS

Please visit our web site at www.stmike.net for a list of all events.

Prayer Service: 2nd Grade Ms. Sarah Thursday, November 4th, 9:00 AM

8th Grade First Friday Prayer Service Friday, November 5th, 8:15 AM

School Mass Wednesday, November 10th, 8:45AM

Thanksgiving Mass Wednesday, November 16th, 8:45AM

1st Grade Thanksgiving Play Thursday, November 18th, 2:00PM

Thanksgiving Holiday Monday, Nov. 22nd, - Friday , Nov. 26th

Thanksgiving Mass Wednesday, Dewcember 1st, 8:45AM

8th Grade First Friday Prayer Service Friday, December 3rd, 8:15 AM

School Mass Wednesday, December 8th, 8:45AM

Christmas Play "Rudolph Rides Again" Wed., Dec. 8th, & Thurs., Dec. 9th at 6:30 PM Rice Theatre

UPCOMING HOLIDAYS:

Christmas & New Years Holiday Monday, Dec. 20th, - Friday, Dec. 31st





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