



HOLY SPIRIT ELEMENTARY



Holy Spirit Elementary Updates 3-3-23

Virtue of the Month - Self-Control

We know that Self-Control is defined as the ability to control your emotions, actions and desires. It is something we are taught as a young child - to remain seated or to raise your hand before speaking in class. But as adults, sometimes self-control means not speaking at all. When human nature takes over and we have unkind thoughts or are frustrated, we often say something quickly and without thinking, and later regret it. Self-control helps us to not speak when we have nothing charitable to say. One way to practice self-control is to fast from something we like. Throughout the year, but especially during Lent, the Church asks us to fast from meat on Fridays. What could you fast from as a small sign of your love for Jesus, and to help practice the virtue of self-control?

PRAYER FOR SELF-CONTROL: Heavenly Father, there are so many things that I want but don't really need. There are things that I am attached to that can cause distractions in my relationship with You. Help me to create a space for You in my heart. It is only by lessening the desire for other things that I can really learn to desire You more. Amen

We will be celebrating Read Across America Week at Holy Spirit Elementary this

coming week. A gold flier went home in backpacks today highlighting the weeks activities. It can also be accessed by clicking [here](#)

Due to the recent snow days last week. Bishop O'Gorman Catholic Schools will now have classes on Thursday, March 9th. Friday, March 10th will remain a vacation day.

Please keep Fr. Mason in your prayers. He will be on medical leave for the next several weeks.

Blessings!
Mr. Manning

6th Grade Gymnasts

Parents of current 6th grade girls interested in O'Gorman High School gymnastics should contact Skye Bork at sbork@ogknights.org. Junior High gymnasts compete with the Varsity or Junior Varsity. Practices start June 5th.

Costumes Needed

Mrs. Postma and Mrs. Mimmack are searching for robes/shepherd like costumes for their Passion Play that the 2nd graders will be presenting on Holy Thursday.

Contact
kpostma@ogknights.org or
hmimmack@ogknights.org if you have something to loan or can assist them.



Dates to Remember:

Our 3rd-6th grade students will be taking the Terra Nova standardized tests the week of April 24-28th.

Holy Spirit Father/Daughter Dance is scheduled for Saturday, April 22nd.

Extravaganza 2023

The Bishop O'Gorman Extravaganza will be held on Saturday, April 1st at the Sioux Falls Convention Center. Last year the event sold out so get your tickets early. Holy Spirit Elementary had a very good representation at this fundraising event that raises funds for all eight of the Bishop O'Gorman Catholic Schools. Click here if you would like to purchase tickets to the event:

[Extravaganza Tickets](#)

Thank you to Liz Moeller for volunteering to coordinate a 5th grade basket to be put

together from Holy Spirit Elementary for the Silent Auction. Let myself or Mary Lou know if you would be interested in coordinating a basket for your child's grade level.

Tuition Assistance, grants and scholarships - Due April 1st

You may access the financial aid link via the Bishop O'Gorman website or as an optional checklist item when completing your student's enrollment.

The state's South Dakota Partners in Education income levels to qualify have increased! This is a great scholarship for many families. [Click here for updated information.](#)

Families are able to apply for all forms of tuition assistance (Scholarships, Grants, etc) via the TADS online application. [Click here to apply for financial aid/tuition assistance.](#)

[Click here to view a full list of available Bishop O'Gorman Catholic Schools Foundation Scholarships.](#) These need to be applied for individually. *Please note that most scholarships require a completed TADS financial aid application.

The deadline to apply for the Presentation Sisters Tuition Scholarship is March 10th. Contact the school office for additional details.

For more information, contact the Bishop O'Gorman Catholic Schools Foundation at 605-575-3343 or foundation@ogknights.org.



Holy Hoops

Make plans to come out and cheer on our very own Fr. Zach and his fellow priests as they take on the OGHS Seniors in this fun family event on Monday, March 20th. There will be concessions available starting at 5:30 p.m. with tip off set for 6:30 p.m.

Family Adoration Night



Come celebrate
The Annunciation
by coming to adoration
as a family!

March 25th after the 5pm Mass

There will be pizza & ice
cream after adoration! An
activity to encourage Alpha
Center clients (crisis
pregnancy) will also be
available for kids & adults!

Additional Camps to Make Note of for current 6th grade students:

2023 Dakota Dreams Career Exploration Summer Camp - open to next year's 7th and 8th graders. Click [here](#) for more information

2023 South Dakota Governor's Camp - open to next year's 7th - 9th graders. Click [here](#) for more information.



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Teachers of Excellence

Is there a teacher that has made a lasting impact on one of your children's lives here at Holy Spirit Elementary. If there is, I encourage you to take some time and nominate that special teacher as a "Teacher of Excellence." Last year Holy Spirit had two special teachers

receive this awesome honor. The deadline to nominate a teacher is March 17th.

Click this [link](#) to nominate a deserving faculty member



Bishop O'Gorman Happenings and Flyers

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