

ST. AGNES ACADEMY BEAR NEWS

Week of April 15th, 2024



Last year, 8th grade student council candidate Victoria Sanz de Acedo, along with her brother, years prior, proposed a new event they called "Bear Bash" to foster school spirit at St. Agnes. Their concept was to surprise students with an unexpected day of fun activities, games and rides. Last week, thanks to our amazing Mary Stevens' dedicated efforts, our incredible 8th graders and our supportive St. Agnes staff, Bear Bash came to life! Our students arrived at school expecting a regular day of learning. Instead, they were completely caught off-guard when they were welcomed into Bear Bash--a lively festival of good times and good spirits! Our students and teachers were filled with JOY and look forward to celebrating this new St. Agnes tradition for years to come.































LET'S CELEBRAI E















































7th Grade HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL















NEVER FORGET

HOLOCAUST VICTIMS, WHICH HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED BY THEIR LOVED ONES, REPRESENT HIT A SMORE FRACTION THE HILLIONS OF MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN WHO PERISHED IN THE

MAY THEIR MEMORY LIVE FOREVER.

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Our 7th graders recently read the novel Night, by noble prize winner, Elie Wiezel which recounts his and his families' harrowing Nazi iournev the concentration camps of the Holocaust. The lesson prompted our students and teachers to visit our local Holocaust Memorial in Miami Beach. They learned more about Holocaust and the beautiful stone and bronze sculpture created by Kenneth Treister as a memorial to Jewish culture and the 6 million lives lost in the Holocaust. They had the opportunity to listen first-hand to the moving true story of Judy Rodin, a Holocaust child survivor herself. Their fieldtrip was emotional and poignant and a lesson that they will never forget.

BEARS IN SPORTS CIRCLS FILL FOOTBALL



Girl Varsity Flag Football – (8-3) The Lady Bears defeated St John Newman on Tuesday in the last regular season game. The girls' hard work gave them the #2 seed in the CAL 2A Playoffs. The girls defeated our big rival St Thomas in the semi-final 18-6. Our Bears had 3 pick 6 touchdowns in a row to start the game and then went on cruise control to finish the win! This advanced the Lady Bears to the CAL Championship game under the lights on our field. They played an undefeated St Louis team. Our girls again played incredible defense and the game was close the entire way. We had 3 interceptions in the first half but could not penetrate St Louis tough defense. We ended up losing the game 15-0. What a great season! 2nd place in the conference is a great achievement! Way to go Lady Bears!!!



Our newly formed St. Agnes golf team is off to a great start with top placements in both of the tournaments they played in the Catholic Athletic Golf League.

In the first tournament, 7th grader, Victoria Tamayo finished in first place for Varsity in the Individual Stroke Play. In the JV category, Ella Doreste also came in 1st place in the Individual Stroke Play. In the Team Scramble Division Flight A, Sebastian Uribe, Maria Garcia Palau and Gerardo Briones came in 9th place. And in the B Flight Team Scramble, we had the team of Samuel Aldrich, Ethan Barcie, Ethan Tavares, Simon Salazar and Santiago Garcia Palau come in 2nd place. Eve Khalil and Mia Bode placed 9th in the same category.

In their second tournament, Santiago Garcia Palau placed 6th in the Varsity Individual Stroke Play. For JV Individual Stroke Play, Sebastian Casillas placed 7th and Nicolas Casillas was in 9th place. For the Girls Varsity Individual Stroke Play, Victoria Tamayo was in 2nd place and Ella Doreste in 1st place for JV Individual Stroke Play. In the team scrambles for Flight A, Sebastian Uribe, Maria Garcia Palau and Gerardo Briones were in 6th place. In the B Flight Team Scramble we had Nicolas Loughlin, Eve Khalil and Mia Bode in 1st place. Congratulations to our amazing golf athletes!

Sacrament of Confirmation

Congratulations and many blessings to all of our 8th graders who received the sacrament of confirmation this past weekend celebrated at a beautiful liturgy at our church by Miami Archbishop Thomas Wenski. May the Holy Spirit fill your hearts and in them, kindle the fire of His love



Samuel Aldrich

Paulina Aleman ACADEMY CONFIDENCE CONFIDENC

Clarissa Delgado Gonzalo Cavalieri

Matteo Heller





Luca Huidob





Camila Plehn

Elina Quirno

an Diego Quiros

Juan Marcos Asuaie

antiago Garcia





Violeta Rivadeneira Fernanda Rochin

Mia Bella Solis

Mora Sundblad

"Be who God meant

you to be and set the

world on fire."

St. Catherine of Sienna

Ethan Tavares Martina Toussaint

Ivana Troia

Alexandra Ulivi

Roberto Zamora







Andres Boelcke













Scholarships for Florida Schoolchildren



It's Time To Apply! Step Up For Students 2024 - 2025

Renewal Scholarship Students

Families with children that were already enrolled in the Step Up For Students program, may now RENEW their student's Family Empowerment Scholarship for Students with Unique Abilities, Florida Tax Credit Scholarship, or Family Empowerment Scholarship for Educational Options for the 2024-2025 school year. As a reminder, current families who would like to renew their student's scholarship must complete the Step Up For Students application annually. For instructions on how to renew your student's scholarship, check your email or login to your Step Up For Students portal.

New Scholarship Applicants

Families may now apply for a 2024-25 scholarship for the following programs:

- Florida Tax Credit Scholarship (FTC)*
- Family Empowerment Scholarship for Educational Options (FES-EO)*

• Family Empowerment Scholarship for Students with Unique Abilities (FES-UA) *With recently passed legislation, if signed by the Governor, the Hope Scholarship will merge with the FTC and FES-EO programs. Families who are benefiting from the Hope Scholarship for the 2023-24 school year will apply through the FTC/FES-EO programs to renew their student's scholarship for the 2024-25 school year. You may view our Legislative Updates page for a summary of all legislative updates. Visit **stepupforstudents.org** for more information on learning options, scholarships and how to apply.



PRAY TO PROTECT THEM BOTH

Vote No on Amendment 4

Prayer to Defeat Florida's Abortion Amendment

Ever-living God, you give life and desire a future for all your children. Take hold of our nation, state, and community and awaken in every heart awe for the gift of life. Send your Spirit to strengthen us with wisdom and fortitude as we defend mothers and children in Florida from laws that disregard their health and safety.

Mary and Joseph trusted in you and welcomed Jesus into our broken world. God Almighty, we ask their intercession to protect the preborn and their mothers, and to guide all parents in raising their children. May they help us build a civilization of love by upholding the sacredness of life and accompanying pregnant women in need. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

> Our Lady, Mother of the Family, pray for us!

St. Joseph, Protector of the Unborn, pray for us!



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Retreat

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St. Agnes Emmaus Women's Ministry invites you to live an amazing encounter experience during an unforgettable weekend retreat.





bit.ly/WomensEmmausRetreat





Please join us Sunday, May 5th from 2 - 6 PM. The whole family is welcome.

RSVP Today!





9AM-1PM (SNACK INCLUDED) INCOMING PK-3 TO 4TH GRADE

SESSION 1: JUNE 17- JUNE 21

SESSION 2: JUNE 24- JUNE 28

SESSION 3: JULY 1- JULY 3 & PARTICIPATE IN THE ST. AGNES SUMMER CAMP 4TH OF JULY FLOAT

SESSION 4: JULY 8- JULY 12

ARTS & CRAFTS + SPORTS + WATER ACTIVITIES + EXPERIMENTS + FUN WITH FOOD DANCING + MOTOR SKILLS BUILDING + NATURE EXPLORATION + AND MUCH MORE...





REGISTRATION DEADLINE MAY 1, 2024

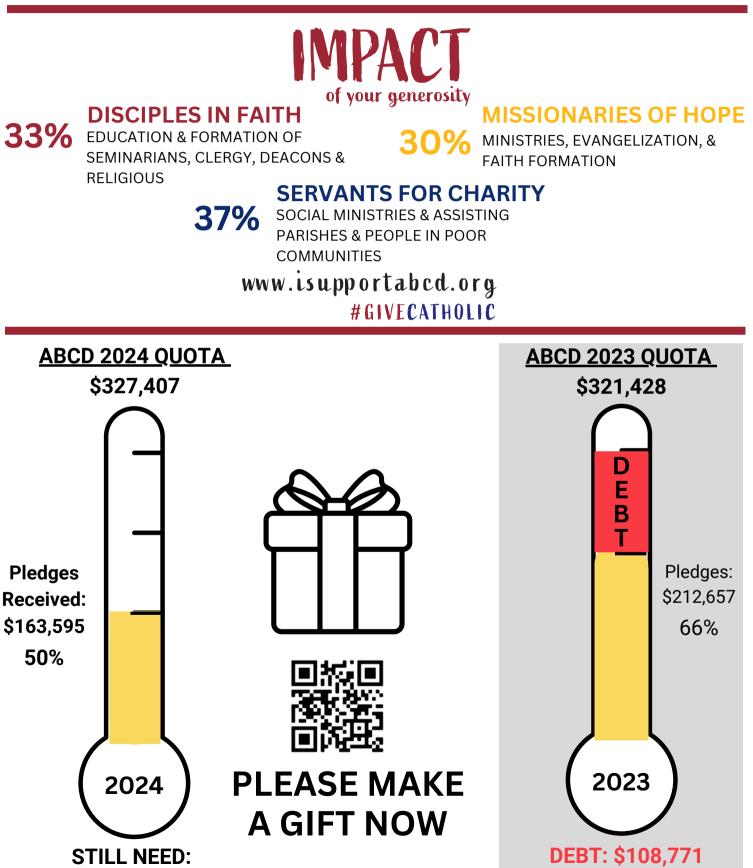


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STILL NEED:



Great news - St. Agnes is excited to invite our parishioners to access the Hallow prayer app this Lent for 3 months. Sign up today to access Hallow's premium app content beginning now through May 19th, 2024 for FREE! Through prayer and meditation rooted in the Catholic faith, Hallow helps people grow closer to God and find peace. Follow the steps below to access your free content.

Step-by-Step Registration Process

Step 1: Follow this link to find your parish page:

http://hallow.com/holyday

Step 2: Search for your parish by name or location in the search box. Click Continue.



St. Agnes Catholic Church Key Biscayne

Step 3: If you have an existing account please log into it. If you don't have an account you can create one by choosing any of your three options here. (Note: if you have an account with an email already and you login with the wrong password you will get the error that this account already exists, simply reset your password and try again) Step 4: After you hit register you will come to this screen and now all you need to do is download the hallow app and login the same way you just did.



Step 5: Confirm in your Account Settings that you have a free subscription through May 19th, 2024!