

Earth Day T-shirts



April 22nd is Earth Day. Dr. Curran has given permission to the Green Committee to celebrate by allowing students and faculty to wear Earth Day shirts! The students have been told about this special event in class this week. We hope the response is

overwhelming, and we can show the community our support of the Green Movement! The t-shirts cost \$7.00 each. Anyone can order. The latest date to turn in t-shirt orders is Tuesday, March 11th. The t-shirt design includes the graphic shown here and will be shown to students via their teachers.

Boy Scout Fundraiser

ACA Boy Scout Troop 849 is having a Fundraiser on Wednesday, March 3rd, from 6:00pm - 8:00pm at Friendly's. Everyone is invited! 15% of funds earned through purchases at this fundraiser go to the Troop.



Walk for ACA 2010

Middle school parents, please be sure to print out the parent letter from the ACA website and send it back with your child's choice of walking routes.

Donations of Capri Sun juice boxes, gallon water jugs, and individual bags of chips are **still needed** for the picnic. If you could please send any donations in labeled "walk" as soon as possible, it would be appreciated. If you'd like to donate money so that the items can be purchased, that would work as well. Eighth grade students are reminded to bring in \$5.00 labeled balloons so they are able to join in the water balloon fun. Thank you for your support. If you have questions, contact Connie Connor at cgraceconner@earthlink.net.

Also, volunteers are still needed to help with the picnic lunch. If you can help in any way, please contact Barb Bahng at (407)786-8284 or mbahng@earthlink.net.

Thanks in advance for your generosity.

Disposable Gloves Needed for Middle School Science

Got Gloves? The seventh grade students will be dissecting soon and will use disposable gloves. If you would like to donate a box of gloves, please do. The students will appreciate it very much. Send the gloves in to Mrs. Pinney. Thank you!

Lenten Outreach

We have recently begun our Lenten journey. When the ashes were placed on our foreheads on Ash Wednesday, we heard the words "Remember, from dust you came and to dust you will return" or "Repent, and turn back to the Gospel." How are we living out the Gospels? Are we trying our best to follow Jesus' example of being caring and compassionate towards others? In Matthew 25:31-46, Jesus clearly tells us what we can expect at our final judgment someday. We will be judged on how we treated others, especially those most in need. This Lent, we will focus our outreach efforts on the people of Haiti, who are trying to rebuild their lives after the devastating earthquake. Their needs are many, so the best thing we can do is collect money to assist those who are helping them directly. Each classroom will have a container that students can place their money in and there will be a basket in the cafeteria, too! In practicing the three disciplines of Lent, we should keep the people of Haiti in our hearts and minds. *Prayer* – we should remember the people of Haiti and all those volunteers who are trying to help them in our prayers; when we *fast or abstain* from eating meat on Friday, we should remember those in Haiti that do not have food to eat or clean water to drink. Our *almsgiving* will directly benefit families that have nothing because of the earthquake. If we have given up something for Lent, we should use the money we would have spent on that item and donate it or do some extra things around our homes to earn the money we would like to donate. Our theme this year for Lent is "Jesus, Be Our Rock" – Jesus is our solid foundation. As we help the people of Haiti rebuild, we can help them establish a new foundation for their lives. And we can put the words of Jesus into action, "What you do for the least of my people, you do for me."



Father Charlie's ACA Classic

SAVE THE DATE! Friday, April 23rd, Sweetwater Golf & Country Club

Fr. Charlie's Golf Tournament and Spring is just around the corner! Our committee is busy organizing and getting ready for the event. We will open registration for players and sponsors on March 1st. If you would like to volunteer (counts towards volunteer hours), or for more info, please contact Bennett Ruedas at (407) 415-0412 or bruedas@cfl.rr.com.

Gold Stars:

★ Gold stars to **Brendan Carlin** for winning the Knights of Columbus writing contest with his essay on the responsibilities of a Catholic in a free society.

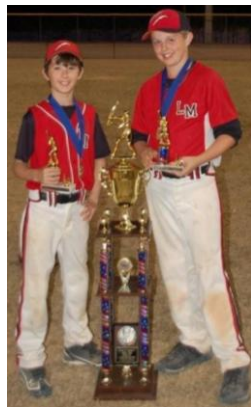


★ Gold stars to first graders **Parker Kwiatkowski, Blake Burkey, Nathan Rosmarin, Trevor Zimlich, Ryan Missigman, Garrett Toepp, Jonathan Hamilla,** and Kindergartener **Hunter Kwiatkowski** who went undefeated for the 2009-2010 season and won the K-1 Hoopsters Division Championship on February 19th. Way to go!



★ Congratulations to **Katarina Svetz** for swimming in the Junior Olympics this past weekend in Clearwater, FL. She swam the 50 Back. Great Job!! We are so proud of you!

★ Congratulations to **Chris Brock, Christian LaBreche,** and the **Lake Mary Lightning** for winning the USSSA President's Day Challenge. The boys competed against thirteen baseball teams to earn a spot in the championships. They won the game in extra innings with a score of 14-13. Congratulations!



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Calendar

- March 2:** Mass Day 8:30am Parents Welcome
March 3: Boy Scout Fundraiser at Friendly's
March 4: Walk-4-ACA **12:30 Dismissal**
March 5: Diocesan Inservice – **No School**
March 8-19: ITBS Tests for 2nd grade
March 10: Lenten Reconciliation Service for 5B-8th grade
March 11: Last day to order/pay for Earth Day t-shirt
March 16: Mass Day 8:30am Parents Welcome
March 17: Pastor Appreciation Day
March 18: End of 3rd Quarter
March 24: Lenten Reconciliation Service 2nd-5A
Principal's Coffee 6th-8th 8:05am in the Cafetorium
Final grades, conduct and comments available for viewing on Edline after 3pm
March 31: 8th Grade to Chrism Mass
April 1: **Holy Thursday – No School**
April 2: **Good Friday – No School**
April 5-9: **Spring Break – No School**
April 12: School resumes
April 20: Mass Day 8:30am Parents Welcome

All Star Auction/Endowment

Ball 2010

The basket items are streaming in and this year's auction items will be spectacular! Only 22 days to go, so reserve March 19th on your calendar. You don't want to miss this event! If your significant other can't make the date, grab some friends and book a Flying Solo table. Check out the online link at the ACA website to purchase tickets, order dinner, make a donation, and **RSVP by March 12th**.



Carpool Tips

- Do not use your cell phone once you have pulled in front of the school.
- Always drive slowly in front of the children. It is possible that they may walk into the road when cars are moving. Your attentive driving is crucial.



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