

October 11, 2019

From the Headmaster



On Wednesday, students in grades 5-12 prayed at Planned Parenthood as part of 40 Days for Life. The students were prayerful and respectful. Thanks to all the parents who helped drive and prayed with the students and teachers.

Building Update – No Fall Fest This Year

Because we do not expect work on Priori Hall to be completed, we have cancelled Fall Fest, which was scheduled for Oct. 26. We considered moving the event to the gym, but that would require much more set-up, and we would not be able to get in until after CYO basketball games in the afternoon. I'm sorry to announce this cancellation and appreciate your understanding.

Speaking of the gym, I've been informed that it will reopen by Oct. 22. So it will again be available for PE classes, indoor recess when necessary, and the boys' basketball team practices. There's no word on Priori Hall, but I'll let you know when I hear something.

If Your Child Is Home Sick

If your children are sick, please let us know in the morning (by 7:20 if possible) that you're keeping them home. This will save us a call. When students are absent, we need to be sure that they're not supposed to be here.

A Couple of Requests for School Mass

One great part of Lumen Christi is the opportunity for parents to attend daily Mass with their children. We're very glad that many parents are able to join us at Mass. I have just a couple of requests/suggestions:

- Lumen Christi students are expected to be in uniform for Mass, and that means wearing only school uniform fleece or sweatshirts – no coats or other outerwear – unless the church is unusually cold (in which case we make a specific exception). We've never asked parents to enforce this rule for their own children at Mass, but there's a potential for misunderstanding when students who have to remove their coats see others wearing them. I would ask parents who attend Mass to set the expectation with their children that they will abide by the dress code rule.

- Similarly, teachers do not ordinarily allow students to leave Mass to use the restroom, except in cases of special need. I would ask parents to limit their school-age children's use of the restroom at Mass. If your child went to homeroom before Mass, they should have had an opportunity to use the restroom then.

On both of these matters, we will of course respect parents' decisions for their own children at Mass. We're glad you're there!

Calendar Reminders:

Midterm Grades – Progress reports will be in Friday folders on Oct. 25. Parent/teacher conferences will be offered on Oct. 29.

Strategic Plan – Please respond to the online survey by Oct. 18, and plan to attend the workshop on Nov. 9.

Open House Nov. 7, 12-1:30 – Tell your friends who might be interested in Lumen Christi.