

LA SALLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

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“Here I am, Lord”



Pastorate Mass Schedule

Luxemburg 4:00 Saturday
Rickardsville 6:00 Saturday
Sherrill 8:00 Sunday
Holy Cross 10:00 Sunday

Readings for this weekend:

Isaiah 25:6-10a Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20 Matthew 22:1-14

“Many are invited, but few are chosen”

Thank you to the Holy Cross/North Buena Vista Fire Department: The fire department brought two of their vehicles to La Salle Catholic School on Monday, October 5. They explained how the equipment and tools are used. They showed some of the capabilities of the newest truck. They talked about fire safety. The fire department gave each student a goodie bag to promote awareness of fire safety. We greatly appreciate the work of the fire department in teaching fire prevention and safety. We recognize how fortunate our community is to have a knowledgeable and skilled fire department.

Rocket Time: Thursdays from 3:00 to 3:30 has been designated as Rocket Time. The first Thursday of the month we pray at Eucharistic Adoration. The third Thursday of the month we pray the Rosary. The other weeks we write and color cards as a service project. La Salle students made cards on Thursday, October 8 for the Sisters at Mt. St. Francis. Next Thursday, October 15, we will pray the Rosary at 3:00 over at church. The following Thursday, October 22, the cards we make will be given to the residents at Stonehill.

Science Day (and Out-of-Uniform): Next Thursday, October 15, La Salle students will have a day focused on science. Students will be combined in small, multi-age groups and will rotate through a variety of activities. The theme for the day is Fizz, Bubble and Goo. The activity information comes from 4-H and Iowa State Extension. We've added a few activities to the schedule--fifth and sixth grade will give their student council speeches first thing in the morning, painting pumpkins to display around Holy Cross will come next, and we will wrap up the day by praying the Rosary. **Students may be out-of-uniform for the day.** Some of the activities may be messy so students should choose their outfit accordingly.

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La Salle Apparel: Clothes ordered through the online store at Envision Tees are being sent home today.

Box Tops Deadline: Please turn in your box tops by the end of the month. This program is transitioning to online processing but we are still able to submit a mailing that must be postmarked by November 2.

Water Bottles: La Salle Catholic School received a grant from Delta Dental Foundation that provided the water bottle filling station in the first floor hallway. The grant also included water bottles for students. The water bottles are being given to students today. Students are welcome to make use of these new water bottles and/or continue to use their favorite water bottle.

Facilities Rental: The La Salle Catholic School gym and cafeteria are available for rent. Groups using the facilities are asked to follow COVID-mitigation strategies and are asked to clean commonly touched areas at the end of the activity. Cleaning and sanitizing supplies will be provided and a \$5 fee per event will be added to the rental fee. Please contact the school office for more information.

Scavenger Hunt: Dubuque County Library District is planning a scavenger hunt as part of library activities at the Holy Cross library next week. For more information, visit <https://www.dubcolib.org> or to sign up for the scavenger hunt, go to <https://tinyurl.com/y498s28d>.

65% Iowa Tax Credit: As an Iowa taxpayer, you can help families with demonstrated financial need attend any Catholic School in the Archdiocese of Dubuque through a qualifying contribution to the *Our Faith School Tuition Organization* (STO). Each qualifying contribution will receive an Iowa tax credit equal to 65 percent of the donation. The gift may also qualify as a charitable deduction on your federal tax return. Visit www.ourfaithsto.org or call the Archdiocese of Dubuque at 800-876-3546 ext. 219 to learn more.

Pop tabs: We continue to collect the tabs from aluminum cans. The students have filled a second 30-pound box and have started on the third box. Thanks for collecting the tabs for Ronald McDonald House!

Entenmann's Little Bites Wrappers: Entenmann's rewards schools for recycling the wrappers for Little Bites and Minis. A flyer is attached. You can send the collected wrappers to school.

Dress code reminder: October 15, next Thursday is the last day to wear shorts; sweatshirts worn in the classroom should be a solid color--red, navy blue, black, white, or green.

Fall Math and Reading Screening Assessments: La Salle Catholic School uses the same state screening assessments used in many Iowa schools. The results of the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) reading and math screenings show that 100% of La Salle students in grades 3-6 are at or above grade level benchmarks for reading and 83% of La Salle students in grades 3-6 are at or above grade level benchmarks for math. La Salle students also take the FAST assessments. These assessments provide data for teachers to use in planning instruction to meet student needs.

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Cans and Bottles Redemption fundraiser: Thank you to the volunteers who helped last Saturday. We spent two hours sorting and bagging plastic bottles and aluminum cans for redemption. Our next sorting and bagging event is on Saturday, November 21. Our next step is to take the bags to Dubuque. If you have an enclosed trailer and could take a load, please let Susan know. The redemption center hours are Monday 6pm to 10pm; Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 10am to 4pm. If you have cans and bottles to donate, the collection points are bins at Holy Cross, Rickardsville, and Sherrill. In Holy Cross, the bin is next to the first shed behind the school. In Rickardsville, the bin is between the church and the rectory. In Sherrill, the bin is in front of the parish center (the old school). Thank you for donating your cans and bottles.

No School Next Friday: Reminder, there is no school at La Salle next Friday, October 16. Teachers will be participating in a training with Rachel Blough, our Catholic Charities counselor.