



*Connecting Students and Families through Faith*  
*October 11, 2026*



## *Upcoming Events*

**Monday, October 12th**

*Dental Screenings*

**Tuesday, October 13h**

*5th WET Fieldtrip*

**Wednesday, October 14th**

*Mass @ 8:15 3rd Leads*

**Thursday, October 15th**

*Flu Shot Clinic 3:30*

*End of Quarter 1*

**Friday, October 16th**

*No School - staff work day*

## *September Virtuous Students*



Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> marked the first Golden Rule/Virtuous student assembly for the year. Over 50 students were recognized for good deeds done during the first months of school. Rose Schiff (5<sup>th</sup>), Jose' Cabrera (5<sup>th</sup>), and Sebastian Izazaga-Castro were recognized as the Virtuous Students of the Month. Jason Schmidt, Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus, presented each with a certificate and rosary.

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## Classroom News.....

### Leader in Me Students of the Month

Be Proactive was the September Leader in Me habit of the month. Students who have mastered this habit have a positive, can-do attitude. They take charge of themselves and their actions and don't blame others. They work hard to follow directions and do the right thing. Students recognized include: Auggie Carrizales (PK), Cami Lara(K), Madison Trenkle(1<sup>st</sup>), Rachel Schiff(2<sup>nd</sup>), Selena Lara(3<sup>rd</sup>), Iviana Garcia(4<sup>th</sup>) and Rachel Hafner(5<sup>th</sup>).



### Blessing of the Pets

In honor of the Feast of St. Francis, the annual Blessing of the Pets was held on Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Students brought their furred, feathered and scaly friends to receive a special blessing from Father Konka. This is one of the students' favorite days as their pets are such an important part of their lives.



### Meet at the 50 Event

St. Agnes kindergarten students took part in the Meet at the 50 event held at Bearcat Stadium on Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. The event united the incredible senior class of 2027 with the bright-eyed kindergarten class of 2039 for a memorable moment on the football field, symbolizing the full circle of their educational journeys- from the very first day of kindergarten to the excitement of high school graduation. Notes and pictures were exchanged between the students.



### Teacher Convention

St. Agnes teachers attended the Diocesan Teacher Convention in Grand Island on Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. The day opened with the Catholic School teachers from across the diocese gathering for Mass. Bishop Hanefeldt was the keynote speaker speaking on discernment. Break-out sessions were held in the afternoon providing a variety of professional development sessions for staff members to attend. It was a day of bonding, faith-building and growth amongst the very dedicated Catholic School educators of our diocese.



### Hot Lunch Menu for October 12th, 2026 - October 16th, 2026

#### Monday, Oct 12

Spaghetti Bake  
Garlic Toast  
Broccoli  
Corn  
Banana

#### Helpers:

Leanne Wahl  
Cassie Meza

#### Tuesday, Oct 13

French Toast Sticks  
Potato Patty  
Sausage  
Mixed Fruit

#### Helpers:

Paige LeDoux  
Selina Lerma

#### Wednesday, Oct 14

Chicken Nuggets  
Sweet Potato Fries  
Celery  
Watermelon

#### Helpers:

Veronica Ramirez  
Tiah Alvizar

#### Thursday, Oct 15

Pulled Pork  
Baked Beans  
Lettuce Salad  
Peaches

#### Helpers:

Tyler Pearson  
Matt Blaylock

#### Friday, Oct 16

**NO  
SCHOOL**

#### Helpers:

## What's Happening at St. Agnes School.....



### Second Grade Class By Meghan Calvert



The first quarter of 2<sup>nd</sup> grade has flown by! We have been working so hard on reviewing what they already know and on new content. We have been loving science! We conducted an experiment to show that plants need sunlight and water to grow. Each student got 2 planters and planted radish seeds. We put one planter in the sun and one on a shelf where it couldn't get any light. It was fun to see how many grew with sunlight versus without.

In math, we are working hard on two-step word problems. Students are learning new terminology to help them decide whether to use addition or subtraction to create their equations. We are also working hard on our addition and subtraction math facts. Students get 5 minutes to solve 100 addition or subtraction facts. The class is already able to solve over 50 problems, some even solving all 100 in 5 minutes!

In religion, we have been learning about communion and creating some amazing artwork to help us grow in our faith. We have been using a program from Little Holy Hearts. Each week, we learn about a different saint or an important piece of the Catholic faith. We have created Mother Teresa, the miraculous medallion, St. Padre Pio, and St. Therese of Lisieux. If you are in the school, please walk by the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade to see all the beautiful art they have been creating.



### Fifth Grade Class By Nancy Riesen



The air is getting crisp, and the leaves will soon look as though they have dipped in earthy colors. Fall has arrived! The fifth graders have had a busy week! We finished MAP testing on Monday, and I believe the students were glad to put away the testing until spring. In art last week, the students were asked to bring photographs of their pets. Using the medium of their choice, the students started working on their pet portraits, and they completed them this week. We have some fun pet inspired art hanging outside our classroom!

In social studies, we have started the journey to America and have discussed what would need to be included in making a successful trip across the sea. Science class has provided many opportunities for some great discussions about what makes the world work, as we delve into the physical science unit.

The Beatitudes have been our topic of conversation in religion, with the students sharing which of the Beatitudes have inspired them in their lives. Lastly, the students were challenged to learn all about decimals in math.

After a big week of working on curriculum, Friday was filled with celebration! The Golden Rule ceremony took place in the morning, while the day closed with the Blessing of the Pets. I look forward to the coming weeks!

