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Mr. Jeremie Solak, Principal

February 14, 2020

From The Principal's Pen

Dear MCC Families & Friends,

God's love for us is an interruption. (Just as I sat down to write this, The Angelus interrupted my beginning, and I had to fight my own resistance to respond to the call to pray.)

Of course, God being all good and all loving, his interruptions can only lead to our eternal joy—but that doesn't mean that His plans do not lead to some sufferings that sting.

Yet the pain of His interruptions all mean to make us look up to Him, to see His gaze of love which we see in The Cross—a vertical line interrupting a horizontal, the divine way breaking through the worldly.

Here is a prayer intended to be prayed at the hour of His Crucifixion:

Lord Jesus Christ,

At this hour you were lead out

To die on the cross

For the salvation of the world.

We ask your forgiveness for the sins of our past

And your protection from all future evil.

Bring us to the peace and joy of that kingdom

Where you live and reign forever and ever.

Blessings of Holy interruptions to you and yours,

Mr. Solak

P.S. Try something new—The Princess and the Goblin by George MacDonald. The book and the author inspired J.R.R. Tolkien, C.S. Lewis, and Madilyn L'Engle. It is a story delightful to both young and old, for it is a story about love and the battle between light and darkness (an excellent book to read round a fire or by candle flame). An appealing edition by Puffin Classics is $5.99 on Amazon. One of the central themes revolves around this line: "Seeing is not believing—it is only seeing."

P.P.S. Regretfully, I will be missing The Daddy Daughter Dance (which I had planned to attend with my three-year-old daughter, Beatrice). But my wife's parents are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary, so I will be driving my bride to dance with her daddy in South Dakota.

Dates to Remember

Divine Mercy Parish Calendar
Please check the Divine Mercy Parish Calendar often
http://www.calendarwiz.com/calendars/calendar.php?crd=catholiccommunityofmanistee

Sports
2/14 JV/V Boys BB @ Marion 6:00pm
2/15 MCC Bowling Team (Baldwin-Individuals) 10:00am
2/15 MS Girls BB @ Pentwater 10:00am - 11:00am
2/18 M.S Girls Basketball (H) vs MCE 5:30pm
2/18 JV/V Girls BB @ Pentwater 6:00pm
2/19 JV/V Boys BB (H) vs. BL 6:00pm
2/20 JV/V Girls BB @ Walkerville 6:00pm
2/21 JV/V Boys BB @ Pentwater 6:00pm
2/22 WMD Championship MS Girls @ Marion 9:00am

Robotics
2/18 & 2/20 Robotics Team (MCC Library/Media Center) 5:30-7:00 pm

Postsecondary Education Planning
2/21 5th Gr. Career Workshop 9:00-9:50am

MCC Events
2/17 NHS Blood Drive (MCC Gym) 9:30am - 2:00pm
2/18 West Michigan D High School Quiz Bowl 9:00am
2/22 Princess & Her Prince Dance (MCC) 6:00pm

Prayer Intentions

Daily Morning Prayer
A reminder to parents and all MCC supporters that we meet daily for morning prayer at 7:55 AM, and we'd love for you to join us! On Thursday's after morning prayer, parents are welcome to stay to talk about issues on faith and parenting before the first Mass at 9:00. **Please pray for our priests: Fr. Pablo and Fr. Zeilko.**

Mass This Sunday – 9:30
Students and their families are highly encouraged and asked to attend the 9:30 am Mass Sunday at Divine Mercy Parish. Please wear Saber shirts or a Team Jersey!

New Piano/Keyboard
Mrs. Pointer is looking for a new keyboard/piano option for our school that is more up to date and portable for $650. If you, or a group of individuals, are interested in sponsoring this project please contact Mrs. Pointer at jpointer@sabers.org.

NHS Sponsored Blood Drive
NHS will be hosting their third blood drive of the school year on February 17, 2020. Please considering donating! You can sign up by contacting Mrs. Henderson at rhenderson@sabers.org or going to https://donate.michigan.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/121894 to schedule your own appointment. Times still available are: 9:35, 10:35, 12:00, 12:05, 12:35, and 1:05. Double Red donation times available are: 10:30, 11:30, and 12:30.

Packzi Making
Many volunteers are needed to help make packzis on Monday-Wednesday 1:00-7:00 PM and Thursday 11:30 AM – 6:00 PM. If you are still in need of PCI hours or have or will have a student playing in MS Football, we would especially like your help!

Happy St. Valentine's Day

Prayer to Saint Valentine
Dear Lord, who art high in the Heavens,
Giver of Love and Passion,
And He who strings the heart's cords,
Lead the Lovers this day, February ten plus four.
The day during the month of two,
When the date is the perfect number of God
Greater two souls and two hearts.
Some Loves are fleeting ,
But that which is built on you will never fail.
So guide the Lovers to know what is to be.
Your truths the Lovers' mouths should speak,
For Your truth is that which is honest to the heart.
Only this, then, should pass over the red lips of the Lovers.
Your art, the Lovers simply a medium.
It is only with True Hearts that You can create a Masterpiece,
So let the Lovers remember that their Soul's Desire
Is the one for which You light their Fire.
And let it be You who creates the Art of the Lovers;
The art of two into one.
Amen.

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