

# St. Joseph Catholic School Newsletter

February 6, 2018

*Growing in faith and knowledge to serve God and community.*

St. Joseph Catholic School Mission

**\*Illness\*** As I write this, Monday, Feb. 5, we have eleven children out sick with one type of illness or another. **PLEASE, if your child isn't feeling well or they have been throwing up or have had a fever, please keep them home!** The general rule of thumb is to keep them home until they are well for a 24-hour period.

**\*Vocations Crucifix\*** Thanks to the Holly Bowyer and Brent Schartz family for hosting the crucifix this week. Next week the Heather & Jason Schlochtermeier family will host the crucifix.

**\*Early Out\*** This week Wednesday, February 7, we will dismiss early at 2:15 along with the public school. Buses will run at that time.

**\*Progress\*** Progress Reports will be sent home today with each student. Please take the time to go over the report with your child(ren) then sign and return the report to school by this Friday.

**\*Red Wheel\*** Red Wheel packets were sent home with each student last week. The School Council has determined that each student needs to sell at least ten items in order for us to make this a successful fundraiser. The sale runs through February 14. Please work with your child(ren) to sell to family, neighbors, co-workers, and friends.

**\*Book Fair\*** Thanks to everyone who patronized the Scholastic Book Fair. We sold over \$2,600 in merchandise which netted us somewhere around \$1450 in free books! The final totals are still being tallied, but these numbers are fairly close. I was too excited to wait to share!

**\*Collection\*** Families contributed \$588.32 to the Penny War during Catholic Schools Week. This money has been donated to the Ellinwood Area Churches to assist people in our community. The winning classroom was K/1 who will be rewarded with an extra hour of recess!

**\*Lent\*** Lent begins next week with Ash Wednesday, February 14. Make plans now to attend an Ash Wednesday service here in Ellinwood at 8:15am or in Claflin at 7:00pm.

**\*Lunches\*** Lunch money is due at the first of each month. If you haven't paid for February, please do so today! One month's lunch fee is \$57 and extra milk is \$8.

**\*Scrip\*** Please remember your commitment to purchase at least \$200 of scrip monthly. Amazon, EFF, and Wal-mart scrip are available for purchase through the school office, church office, before and after weekend masses, and from Angie Gunn at FMI.

**\*Weekend Mass\*** Weekend mass times are at 5:00pm Saturday and 10:30am Sunday. This Sunday is the sixth Sunday in ordinary time. Press the CTRL key then click on this link to find the scripture readings for this weekend. <http://www.ewtn.com/devotionals/inspiration.htm>

Father will read from the Gospel of Mark 1:40-45 "If you wish, you can make me clean." What difficulties or concerns might we bring to the Lord today?