

St. Therese Catholic School January 2023

STS Newsletter

Go Crusaders! 

Mission Statement: To provide Faith, Service and Learning opportunities for students, families and communities in a Christ-like environment.

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A Message from Most Reverend John C. Wester on the Passing of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we mourn the passing of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, I ask that we all pause and offer prayers for the happy repose of his gentle soul. He was a remarkable servant of God whose service to the Catholic Church and the world was marked by selflessness and fidelity to the Gospel. As a theologian, author, Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, and pope, he distinguished himself by his humility and his love for Jesus Christ. Our prayers for him at this sacred time when he approaches the throne of Almighty God are gifts he truly deserves.

Our pastors, deacons, consecrated religious, principals and lay leaders will be planning services and remembrances in the days and weeks ahead. For the moment, please note the following events will take place at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi in Santa Fe today, December 31, 2022:

- at noon today, the faithful will gather to offer prayers for the happy repose of Pope Emeritus Benedict's soul;
- at 3:30 p.m. today, there will be a public recitation of the rosary for the happy repose of the soul of Pope Emeritus Benedict; and
- at 4 p.m. today, the usual Saturday evening Mass will be celebrated (today is the eve of the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God). This Mass will be live-streamed for the benefit of the faithful throughout the archdiocese.

The pope, who sits on the Chair of Peter, is a sign of unity and charity in the Catholic Church. And so, in death as in life, our popes unite us in faith even as we mourn their passing.

Let us remember to pray for Pope Emeritus Benedict, especially in the days and weeks ahead, and may our prayers accompany him on his final pilgrim journey to Christ, whose Vicar he was.

Eternal rest grant unto Benedict, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. May his soul and all the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

January Liturgy

1	Mary, Mother of God (Octave of Christmas, Day 8)
2	Sts. Basil and Gregory Nazianzen, memorial
3	Holy Name of Jesus
4	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, memorial
5	St. John Neumann
6	First Friday, St. Andre Bessett
7	St. Raymond of Penyafort
8	Epiphany of the Lord
9	Baptism of the Lord
13	St. Hilary
14	Mass of Our Lady
17	St. Anthony, abbot, memorial
20	Sts. Fabian and Sebastian
21	St. Agnes
23	Day of Pray for the Legal Protection of the Unborn Children St. Vincent, deacon and St. Marianne Cope
24	St. Francis de Sales, memorial
25	Conversion of St. Paul
26	Sts. Timothy and Titus
27	St. Angela Merici
28	St. Thomas Aquinas, memorial
31	St. John Bosco, memorial

SCHOOL MASS SCHEDULE –JANUARY



5	No school Mass, no school Christmas break
12	4 th grade hosts the Thursday School Mass and Awards
19	3 rd grade hosts the Thursday School Mass
26	2 nd grade hosts the Thursday School Mass

Note for Masses/Communion service:

There will not be a Sunday hosted Mass by the school in January *Father Vincent will be on sabbatical and is planning to return February 1. We will have Adoration after the Masses, unless another event, such as awards, or a funeral are scheduled.*

January Events

January 9	<i>Teachers return: Professional development</i>
January 10	<i>Students return: classes resume</i>
January 10, 24, 31	<i>Carrington College: Growth checks</i> https://www.stthereseschoolabq.org/carrington-college
January 16	<i>MLK day: No school</i>
January 17	<i>Home and School meeting, 5:30 pm Library</i>
January 18	<i>SPX exam for 8th grade students</i>
January 26	<i>MJ Thomas Photography: class group pictures</i>
January 29-Feb 4	<i>Catholic Schools Week (CSW)</i>



Virtus

Virtus is an Archdiocesan training for all volunteers that helps adults learn to recognize the warning signs of abuse, and it shows them the appropriate way to respond to suspicious behavior. If you are planning on attending or volunteering in any capacity at the school, even if only driving or being with your own child, please take the time to take "Protecting God's Children" online. The certificate is turned into the front office and is good for five (5) years. This will also cover any volunteering in any of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe communities. Visit www.virtusonline.org and take your class today.



Service Projects

The January service project is to support the homeless in Albuquerque through the Brothers of the Good Shepherd by providing gloves, hats, and scarves. Good Shepherd Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where hospitality is expressed to our homeless and less fortunate guests according to the goal of their founder, Brother Mathias: "Charity Unlimited" through addiction

recovery, medical shelter, food, and clothing for those in need since 1951. Good Shepherd strives to serve, with respect and compassion, the most vulnerable in our community by providing sustainable resources, services, and programs that meet the most basic needs.

Please send in what you can to your child's homeroom teacher. This service will go through January 21, 2023.

Education on the Faith 

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=raMkDRjN2fU>

*A talk on Mary, Mother of the Eucharist "Do Whatever He Tells You"
presented by Steve Ray at Ave Maria University*

Financial Corner



We are in full swing with registration. We offered a \$50 savings for those that registered prior to January 1, 2023. As of January 1, we are at 58% of our budget goal. I am positive we will exceed our goal.

We are going into our 2nd semester on budget. We have had several successful fund raisers in the first semester. I foresee that we will finish our year successfully with the budget being met prudently.

Subsidies are being paid by the Churches in the diocese. A large percentages of the subsidies have been paid for our families.

Please let me know if you have any questions: m.giglio@stschool.org



Carrington College has reached out to have their nursing students come to give growth checks for our students. The check will include height, weight, blood pressure and eye exam. A link was sent out to all families to participate or not participate in this service to our students. Here is the link to give permission for your student to get these services in January or February.

<https://www.stthereseschoolabq.org/carrington-college>



Catholic Schools week will be January 29 – February 4, 2023. This is a week of celebration of our Catholic identity in the education of our children. It is a great privilege to be in the Catholic School setting. It is keeping God in the front of what we do, what is taught and evangelization to the world. More to come on the day to day celebrations for the week.



School Dress Code

Just a reminder that students (male and female) should not have highlights or colored hair, artificial nails, non-prescription contacts or wear make-up. Boy's hair should be cut above the collar and not have any shapes or razor art in their cuts. For both boys and girls,

hair/bangs should not cover their eyes. We ask that girls keep hair items to a simple hair tie or STS uniform headband or scrunchie. No big bows or jewelry/beads in their hair. Shoes and other items for your student: please make sure that shoes should be regular sneakers that are white, black or blue; no high tops, no Vans with checks or designs, no light-ups and no wheels on the shoes. Please no boots; heels on student shoes no more than an inch. Please keep socks conservative: white, black, or blue. A small swish is fine, but no graffiti or images on the socks. Please do not have students wear the no show socks. They must be ankle or knee socks for both boys and girls. Thank you for helping in honoring the dress code for the school! This is referenced in the handbook.

Annual Notifications

Legal Notice

The Archdiocese of Santa Fe and St. Therese Catholic School comply with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) by providing access for the review of the Management Plan at this school. The Management Plan is kept in the principal's office and will be updated as various situations develop and inspections are completed. Arrangements may be made with the principal of the school or to the executive director of general services at the Archdiocese of Santa Fe.

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St. Therese Catholic School

St. Therese school is dedicated to assisting families in passing on our Catholic faith, morals, and values to our students. The school is a community outside the home where religious values and truths are integrated with daily life. St. Therese strives to provide a quality and challenging education in a Christian environment and to help each student develop his/her own potential. Our mission is carried out through creative expression, hands-on-learning, self-discipline, and the opportunity to participate in the liturgy, prayer, sacraments, and community service.

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