

Bear Necessities

September 11, 2020



**Children's
Liturgy of the
Word**



**7th and 8th
Grade Mass
with Fr. Fred**



**Liturgy of the
Word in
Classrooms**

Thank you for choosing to be a Grizzly!

Dear St. Gabriel Family,

Well we have just finished yet another great week here at St. Gabriel School. For us this week was extra special as we spent time on Wednesday giving our best to God in worship as we acknowledge all of our blessings are gifts from Him. And blessed we are! From the smiles up and down the hallways, joining us from home, as well as from our parents, teachers, administrators, and parish staff, there is no doubt the Grizzly gratitude is in full force. Students in our 7th and 8th grade joined Fr. Fred in our school liturgy. Our youngest Grizzlies participated in Children's Liturgy of the Word at church and students in grades 2-5 prayed a Liturgy of the Word back in their classrooms with their homeroom teachers leading the prayer service.

We will continue this format for weekly liturgy and prayer as we progress through our first quarter. Each week 2 different grade levels will attend Mass while the rest of the school will be participating in Liturgy of the Word back at school. While we eagerly await for the day when we can join as one family at the table of the Lord, we are grateful we can each find meaningful ways to pray with one another as we follow the social distancing requirements. Of course our hope is that on Sundays as many families as possible will choose to rejoin our parish community as you are able for weekly Mass.

Another area in which we cannot help but feel deep gratitude is for all the hard work, love and devotion that our PTU continues to share with our school. This week we had the final phase of our Walk-a-thon improvements completed with the installation of our new bottle filling stations. These in addition to our new classroom technology and new classroom furniture enhance the safe and welcoming environment we are so blessed to call home at St.Gabriel School.

Looking ahead you can expect more great opportunities! Below are some highlights coming your way:

- **Meet The Teacher & Principal Virtual Welcome Videos** Monday, September 28th (more details to follow)
- **Feast Day of St. Gabriel** Tuesday, September 29th
- **School Picture Day** Friday, October 2nd
- **PTU Sponsored Halloween** Class games and pre-packaged treats along with new "Boo-tiful" raffles Friday, October 30th (More details to follow)
- **Pizza Day Lunch** option...coming soon!

School Environment Health Inspection Annual Report

On Thursday, we had our Lake County Health Department biannual inspection. Our report yielded outstanding marks. The inspector commented that our school was one of the cleanest, most organized schools to date with very high marks given to our safe guard preparations and procedures observed during the walk-through inspection which was conducted during school hours. **Our deepest gratitude goes out to our entire Maintenance Crew** who have worked tirelessly to assist our staff and administration in creating this safe place for learning.

A special "safety shout- out "to all parents for all you are doing to support our safety measures. Remember student masks should be washed daily if not disposable. **Thank you too for wearing masks when you are on school property especially at pick up time.**

Thank You Video [Finally, please take a moment to watch our "Thank you Video"](#) dedicated to you families who choose to continue to support and grow Catholic education here at St.Gabriel School. We couldn't do it without you and we are sincerely **Grizzly Grateful** for all the ways you share your gifts and your beloved children with us!

Have a great weekend everyone!

Peace and Blessings,

Mrs.Ulrich

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SGS Pep Talk Video