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Lent is Here Again

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday was on February 17. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. It is a season of penance, reflection, and fasting which prepares us for Christ's resurrection on Easter Sunday, through which we attain redemption. Following the example of the Nine vites our foreheads are marked with ashes to humble our hearts and reminds us that life passes away on Earth. We remember this when we are told, "Remember, Man is dust, and unto dust you shall return." Ashes are a symbol of penance made sacramental by the blessing of the Church, and they help us develop a spirit of humility and sacrifice. The ashes are made from the blessed palms used in the Palm Sunday celebration of the previous year. The ashes are christened with Holy Water and are scented with to incense. While the ashes symbolize penance and contrition, they are also a reminder that God is gracious and merciful to those who call on Him with repentant hearts. His Divine mercy is very important during the season of Lent. The Church calls on us to seek mercy during the entire Lenten season with reflection, prayer and penance.

Kassy Short

All School Mass

On Monday, middle school students had to wear a black shirt and khaki pants. The middle school went to Hayden for the All Catholic Schools mass. All the priests from the Catholic schools were there .The Archbishop was the main celebrant. Hayden held the mass in the gym. The music was handled by the school choirs and bell choirs. Everybody wore black shirts in the school even the teachers. The Arch Bishop introduced the priests of all the priests from the Catholic Schools.

Andrew Gomel

Black History Month

This month is Black History Month. Black History Month was founded in 1926 by United States Historian Carter G. Woodson. Black History Month originally started as "Negro History Week." In this month we honor our black heroes in history. Like Martin Luther King Jr. a civil rights leader, Jackie Robinson a baseball player, and Harriet Tubman a former slave and leader of the under ground railroad for their great accomplishments.

Jacob Koch

President's Day

President's Day is a Federal holiday honoring George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. It was instated in 1971 by President Richard Nixon. The holiday is observed on the third Monday of February. The holiday falls between the birthdays of the two presidents. This year President's Day fell on February 15, 2010.

Kassy Short

Saints of the Month

February 2nd –Presentation of the Lord
February 5th –St. Agatha
February 6th –St. Miki and companions
February 11th –Our Lady of Lourdes
February 17th –Ash Wednesday
February 22nd –Chair of Peter
February 23rd –St. Polycarp

Cassandra Garcia

Trivia

What day is Valentine's Day on?

- A. The 12th
- B. The 18th
- C. The 14th

What does the word Valentine mean?

- A. Sweetheart
- B. Heart
- C. Love

What type of bird symbolizes Valentine's Day?

- A. Dove
- B. Robin
- C. Swan

What flower is most common on Valentine's Day?

- A. Lilly
- B. Red Rose
- C. Poinsettia

What fruit was also known as the "Love Apple"?

- A. Apple
- B. Tomato
- C. Grape

What color is the symbol of warmth and feeling?

- A. Red
- B. Orange
- C. Yellow

What colors are the symbols for Valentine's Day?

- A. Red & Pink
- B. Purple & White
- C. Orange & Black

Cassandra Garcia

Book Fair

The Book Fair was through Jan.30th and Feb. 5th. Our theme this year for the book fair was Book Fair Diner. We hope you enjoyed the selection of books we had in the Sacred Heart- St. Joseph church basement. Our selection had everything from picture books for younger kids to large chapter books for older kids.

Jacob Koch

5th and 6th Grade Boys Basketball

The season for the 5th and 6th grade Basketball team is finished. The head coach is Aaron Vargas with assistants Derek Kirkwood and Mark Hobart. The first game was against MPH3. The score was HF 18 MPH 10. The second game was against TLS. The score was TLS 20 HF 17. The third game was against TC. The score was HF 22 TC 18. The fourth game was against MPH1. The score was MPH 33 HF 11. The fifth game was against MD. The score was HF 37 MD 21. The sixth game was against MPH2. The score was MPH 37 HF 15. The seventh game was against CTK2. The score was CTK 38 HF 25. The eighth game was against SM. The score was HF 29 SM 26. The final game was against CTK1. The score was HF 25 CTK 24. Their final record was 5-4. Coach Aaron Vargas said that the team is very aggressive and not afraid to get down and get dirty. The Team got some beginners but, they are not afraid to be competitive. The team always played hard whether they were down by a lot or when they were winning. Aaron Vargas enjoyed coaching and hopes to coach the 7th grade team. Holy Family placed fourth in the tournament.

Damien Vargas and Isaac Singer

The Origin of Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day is celebrated because, legend says that St. Valentine, a roman who was killed because he refused to give up his Christianity.. He died on February 14th 269 A.D., the same day he had devoted to love lotteries. Legend also says that St. Valentines sent a farewell letter to the jailer's daughter. Who had become his friend, and signed it "From your valentine." In 496 A.D. Pope Gelasius set aside February 14th in honor to St. Valentine. February 14th became the day were people exchanged love messages and St. Valentine became the patron saint of lovers. The date was marked by sending poems and simple gifts such as flowers. There was often a social gathering or a ball. In the United States, Miss Esther Howland is given credit for sending the first valentines cards. Commercial valentines were introduced in the 1800's and now the date is very commercialized. The spirit of good continues as valentines are sent out with sentimental verses and children exchange valentine's cards at school.

Victoria Gomez