



Happy Veterans Day to all of our Military Families! We are so blessed because of all of you! We are so thankful to have many faculty members who are veterans: Mrs. Hinkle, Mr. Vavrus and Mrs. Witt. We are also appreciative of those who are spouses of a veteran. We know that you also sacrifice in many ways for all of us. Please accept our gratitude and prayers.

Morning Prayer this week focused on the book of Judges in the Old Testament. We learned that God called Gideon to rescue the Israelites. Even though Gideon did not think that he had the skills to do such an important task, God assured him that all he needed was Gideon to say yes. He would equip Gideon for whatever task God was calling him to do. God can use our “yes” as well! All He needs is our assent! He can do great things with a little bit of our faith! Increase the gift of faith in your student by taking them to Mass this weekend. Pray for those who have said “yes” to serve our country, and all other leaders, that they may lead with God’s purposes in mind.

I asked the students what their favorite learning or most important learning was in school this week. These are the responses that I received:

**8th grader:** I liked creating an ending to the book, The Giver.

**7th grader:** We learned about slope. We also created a quiz about cells and energy. Mr. George will pull questions from these assignments to create the classroom quiz.

**6th grader:** I like having to learn about all 50 states in Social Studies with Mrs. Hinkle.

**5th grader:** Doing the *Readers Theater* because you get to speak in front of a lot of people and can overcome your fear of public speaking.

**4th graders:** We liked writing letters to veterans who sacrificed to serve our country. In STEM we made a game out of paper triangles and we also liked playing KAHOOT to review life cycles in Science.

**3rd grader:** I liked finding things with seeds during Science Lab with Mrs. Sarlo.

**2nd grader:** I liked making an acrostic poem for veterans. V is for very nice, E is for everyone's a hero, T is for terrific!

**1st grader:** Learning about safety in PE with Mrs. Stewart was important. We prayed for vocations; that God would give us humble people to be our church priests and sisters.

**Kindergartener:** I like counting numbers in Math with Mrs. Schmidt and playing outside with my friends on the swings and the slide.

**PK Student:** I liked making a turkey with Ms. Johnson. I liked using metal to turn on a light in Science. That is called a conductor.

It was great to hear from the students! It is always fun to hear what they like about school and what they have to share about their learning.

Two of our eighth grade students were responsible for leading the St. Aloysius Food Pantry Drive! Thank you Greta Phillips and Carley Greenwell for organizing the drive, counting all of the food and ensuring that the food pantry was restocked. Thank you to all of our families for contributing food.

Thank you to all who participated in conferences and to our dedicated teachers who extended their days to meet with the parents! Connecting together to support each other contributes to student success!

Come cheer on our Girls Varsity Basketball team this Friday evening at St. John's School at 7:30 pm! Next week we will celebrate our teams with a PEP Rally coordinated with St. Mary's Ryken High School! It should be a fun afternoon for all!

We look forward to another great week of school! Enjoy your weekend!

God Bless You!

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