

FAW Friday News  
September 15, 2023



Whither shall I go from thy spirit?  
or whither shall I flee from thy presence?  
If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there:

*Psalms 139: 7-8*

Dear Father Andrew White Families,

This week in Morning Prayer, we learned that God is everywhere. He desires to know us and is with us always. The characteristics of God are difficult for us to understand because we have limited knowledge and our physical bodies have limitations. God has no limitations and He is always reaching out to teach us about Himself and desires a relationship with each of us! Let us always respond in thankfulness and love to Him and to each other, who are made in His image and likeness.

The students, this week, responded to the call to pray for a fellow student, Finn Cusick. It was heartwarming to see our entire student body and staff praying the rosary for a ten year old boy who is battling cancer. Please continue to keep Finn and his family in your prayers as we pray for his healing from God, in whichever way God chooses to answer those prayers. We do not understand why suffering occurs, but we know that God is one to be trusted and loved.

This week I was able to visit the primary classrooms! The PK students are getting acclimated to their classroom and new routines. They love sharing stories, singing songs, eating lunch with friends and playing outside.

I observed Kindergarten students practicing their writing skills. They were each working on individualized papers while classical music played. They were carefully tracing letters and shapes, and so proud to show off their skills!

The first graders created beautiful self portraits that are on display in the hallways. It was fun to see their understanding of their own uniqueness portrayed in their pictures.

Second graders were illustrating a beautiful garden as they learned about the Garden of Eve and how God wanted the first man and woman to know only goodness and beauty.

Third graders began creating their own Book of Saints. When I inquired about a picture they were illustrating, they proudly explained that it was St. Rose of Lima who is the patron saint of gardeners!

I saw many examples of faith in action today during school! Students greeted each other and Fr. David after Mass, assisted one of our parent volunteers with recycling of pizza boxes, ran to hold a door for adults as they were coming in from recess duty and graciously lost in a game of GAGA ball, congratulating the other students on their win!

We are so blessed to have the opportunity to share our faith and speak of our God in our school! Attend Mass with your student(s) this weekend to keep their faith alive and growing!

I hope that you have a wonderful weekend with your families.

Sincerely,  
*Janet Szych*  
Principal