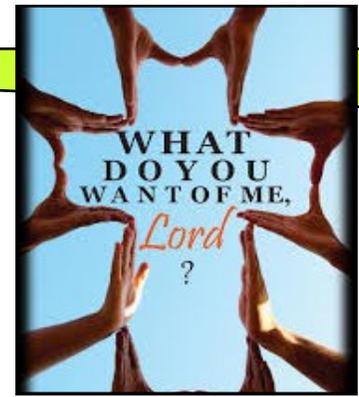


Grade 5W News!



Mark Your Calendars!!

Upcoming events:

- *Thursday, November 1st: All Saints Day School Mass*
- *Sunday, November 4th: Daylight Saving Time Ends*
- *Friday, November 9th: 5W School Mass*
- *Friday, November 9th: 11am Remembrance Day Service*
- *Monday, November 12th: Remembrance Day (observed) - No School*
- *Tuesday, November 13th: No School*
- *Thursday, November 15th: Science Made Fun "Finally Fun Machines" workshop*
- *Friday, November 23rd: Professional Development Day—No School*
- *Friday, November 30th: SFX Feast Mass*

Dear Parents,

October was a busy month with our school walkathon, Victoria field trip, Parent-Teacher Interviews, and Halloween festivities. Please come take a look at our bulletin boards in the coming weeks to read about student reflections on the Victoria field trip!

We will be celebrating All Saints Day (Nov. 1) and All Souls Day (Nov. 2). In connection with All Saints Day, the Grade 5s are learning about various Canadian saints in class who serve as excellent role models for our faith journey.

Furthermore, on November 11th we remember the men and women who served and died in the wars so that we may live in a peaceful and free country. One way we can show our appreciation and respect is by making a donation to the Canadian Legion and wearing a poppy.

Reverence for Life

In Religion class, students have been learning how to lead morning prayer with the basic elements: an introduction, scripture reading, petitions, and closing prayer. Students will take turns leading morning prayer in partners throughout the year.

We have also been learning the "*Prayer for Reverence for Life*" and discussing how each stage of life is a gift from God. Students have made prayer cards and are encouraged to say this prayer nightly.

Another concept that we're studying is stewardship. We understand stewardship as our response to God's many gifts, which includes respect for all life and the responsible care of the environment. Created in God's image and likeness, we have the responsibility to care for all of God's creation through our words and actions.

Machines Mania

In Science, we have been learning about the six simple machines and the mechanical definition of "work" as the result of using force to make something move. Next week, we hope to have an "explore and investigate" session where students have the opportunity to experiment with various tools such as hammers and screwdrivers. Students will rotate through stations supervised by parent volunteers. If you are interested, please be in touch with our class rep!

As part of our investigation of simple machines, we will be participating in a *High Touch High Tech* workshop called "Finally Fun Machines" on Thursday, November 15th. Permission forms had been sent home.