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HAPPY
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
WEEK!
(JAN. 29-FEB. 5)

PASTORS AND
PRINCIPALS,
SEE YOU AT KENNEDY
CATHOLIC HS FOR THE
MISSION ADVANCEMENT
INITIATIVE MEETING
THURSDAY, FEB. 2, 2012
3:00-5:00 PM

Fr. Tom Molini named 2012 NCEA Distinguished Pastor

Fr. Tom Molini, Pastor of St. Gerard Majella Parish, has been chosen one of ten **2012 Distinguished Pastors** in the nation by the **National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA)**. The award honors pastors who have given outstanding support to Catholic elementary education, and the **NCEA Department of Elementary Schools** recognizes that, in honoring these pastors, it also honors the many pastors who give their support to Catholic elementary schools throughout the United States, including the many pastors of elementary schools within the Archdiocese of St. Louis.



Fr. Molini will be honored at a special Mass and celebration during Catholic Schools Week on Monday, January 30 at St. Gerard Majella Catholic School, and on opening night of the NCEA Convention to be held in Boston this year in the spring. **St. Gerard Majella Principal Dr. Jane Koberlein**, who nominated Fr. Molini for this award, said, "In choosing Fr. Molini, [as a recipient of the award] you would be choosing someone who loves being a minister, who cares deeply about living and teaching the Catholic faith, and who joyfully uses every ounce of his energy to bring Jesus to everyone he meets."

Fr. Molini attends to every detail—big and small—at St. Gerard Majella Catholic School, including opening car doors for students on inclement weather days, to serving and eating lunch with them, to raising \$7 million dollars for a recent capital campaign to fund a new addition to the school.

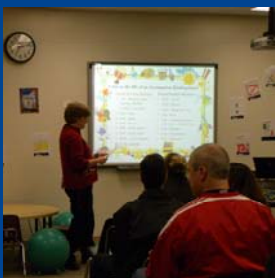
St. Gerard Majella teacher **Julie Krummenacher** said, "If one word could describe the children's feelings toward Fr. Molini, it would be 'beloved.' He is a role model for the students and faculty in how we can truly be *Alive in Christ!*"



Congratulations, Fr. Molini!
And thank you, and every
pastor of Catholic elementary
schools in the Archdiocese,
for caring enough to make
your school a parish priority!

The **SACRED HEART-CRYSTAL CITY PSR** held a “Baby Bottle Brigade” fundraiser from October 26 2011 through January 18, 2012 collecting \$300.00. The 6th grade led the effort with a total of \$108.00. The money was given to the **Missouri State Knights of Columbus** to be used toward the purchase of ultra-sound equipment for **Pregnancy Resource Centers** throughout the state of Missouri.

ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL-MATTESE kindergarten teachers **Mrs. Foshe (pictured)** and **Mrs. Mills** presented the “day in the life of a kindergartner” at a recent meeting for prospective parents. Current students talked about what they liked about school (a great job for Student Ambassadors!) and former students testified as to how Assumption School prepared them academically for high school and spiritually for a life of service



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL-IMPERIAL fifth graders made blankets to donate to **The Children’s Society of Missouri’s “Clothing for a Cause.”** Each class at St. Joseph participates in a service project and reflection demonstrating they are **Formed in Faith** and **Alive in Christ!**



YOU’RE INVITED!
DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL Pioneer Basketball Bash
WEDNESDAY, FEB. 8
VARSITY GIRLS VS. WENTZVILLE HOLT
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ALL GRADE SCHOOL STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE FREE ADMISSION, POPCORN AND SODA, FREE ENTRY FOR ATTENDANCE PRIZE RAFFLE, AND FREE ADMISSION TO A FUTURE GAME!
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Students and staff of VALLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL gathered to pray before the pro-life statue in the courtyard of the **Church of Ste. Genevieve** in solidarity with the 89 Valle students, parents and staff who traveled to Washington DC for the annual March for Life.

Monday, January 23, 2012 marked the 38th anniversary of the *Roe v Wade* Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion.

The **ST. DOMINIC HIGH SCHOOL Robotics Teams** competed for the first time in an all-day event at McKendree University recently. The Junior/Senior Team kicked off the day with their robot **Optimus**, and after 5 rounds of competition, finished **12th out of a field of 35**.



Additionally, the Freshman/Sophomore Team fared well with their robot **Kevin** (with 2 n's!). The Team was in 6th place going into the finals. After a hard-fought round that included technical difficulties, they finished **14th out of a field of 35**.

VILLA DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL Coach Linda Potter has received the **2011 Coach of the Year Award** for her contribution to girls’ golf in Missouri. She was recognized in January by the **Coaches Association for the National Federation of State High School Associations**.



In her coaching career at Villa Duchesne, Coach Potter has taken the golf team to the state championship 15 years in a row, winning first place in 1999 and 2010. Coach Potter was first awarded Coach of the Year in 2000.



ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC SCHOOL

kindergartners in **Mrs. Gotsch's** class enjoyed learning about Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s courage to stand up for what is right. To celebrate their unit of study, students created a Dr. King symmetry portrait after learning about the concept of symmetry. Each part of the picture—head, body, tie, was created by folding and cutting. To complete the unit, students talked about Dr. King's famous "I have a dream" speech and shared their dreams for the world.



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL—FARMINGTON'S faculty, staff, students and the Home and School Association "kicked off" Catholic Schools Week with a **Souper Bowl Challenge**—collect canned food items containing meat to score points for their teams. Each grade, pre-school through eighth, chose a team name and the game began! The game will take place over four weeks, representing the four quarters of the game. The team with the highest score wins Souper Bowl rings, a class pizza party, and a Souper Bowl Champion banner for their classroom. All canned food items will be donated to the **St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry**. (*Souper idea!!!*)

Trinity Catholic High School Industrial Technology students spent four days and three nights in New York City for the second year in a row, studying and observing various architectural aspects of the city, visiting historical landmarks and taking in the Broadway musical, *Spiderman*. Trinity Industrial Technology teacher **Gene Schnell** accompanied seniors **Tommy Koerper, Mike Anderson, Connor Grumich** and **Dillon Porzel** and juniors **Matt Scheidker** and **Nick Sonntag** on the January 12-15 "field trip." Kate Dwyer, Trinity graduate (1976) and current project manager of the 911 Memorial, joined the group in New York to show them the sights. Kate has supported this trip financially for the last two years as a way of giving back to the school and her teacher.



And in other Trinity Catholic High School news...

Trinity Catholic faculty members will receive iPads, and Trinity's wireless internet system will be up-graded thanks to an **Emerson Technology Grant** of \$28,500. The grant was issued in late December as Emerson, a Trinity school partner, continues to assist Trinity in remaining on the cutting edge of technology. Trinity's two 30-station iMac computer labs, portable 30-station iPad lab and state-of-the-art Computer-Aided Drafting (CAD) software were all purchased in part with Emerson grants.

The **VALLE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS** Foundation presented 11 literacy grants in October, 2011 to Valle Catholic School teachers totaling nearly \$8,000. Grants



were awarded for new reading novels for grades 6 and 7, reading level assessment materials for grades 4-8, Catholic periodical materials for middle school students and new software for middle school students to create professional newsletters.

Also included were technology products such as a Mac Book Pro, iPad and iPods that will be used to produce podcasts created by

students as well as the numerous creative reading applications Apple has produced to improve reading in the classroom.

ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY prepared to celebrate Catholic Schools Week by providing a booth at the city-wide **Women's Conference**. Faculty representatives and students explained the importance of Catholic education which gives students ethical standards in the workplace, and the advantages of a college prep curriculum that our schools offer in preparing students for leadership in today's competitive world. The students emphasized the welcoming Christian communities that are a vital part of Catholic schools. (*Pictured left to right—Trudy W., Molly Z., Mary Kate O., Carolyn H. and Emily S.*)





We pray for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed in our families, schools, parishes and communities, and especially for...

Robbie McGartland, graduate of **Chaminade Preparatory High School**, brother of **Maggie McGartland** (senior at **Rosati-Kain High School**) and **Kelly**, and son of **Bob and Peggy McGartland**.

Karen Basden, principal and teacher at **St. Joseph Catholic School-Bonne Terre**. Karen is survived by her husband **Frank**, and three sons who attend **Our Lady Catholic School** and **St. Pius X High School** in **Festus**.

Arrangements

Visitation:

St. Joseph Church-Bonne Terre, Friday, Jan. 27, 2012, 4:00-8:00 pm

Funeral Mass:

St. Joseph Church-Bonne Terre, Saturday, Jan. 28, 2012, 11:00 am

May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace.

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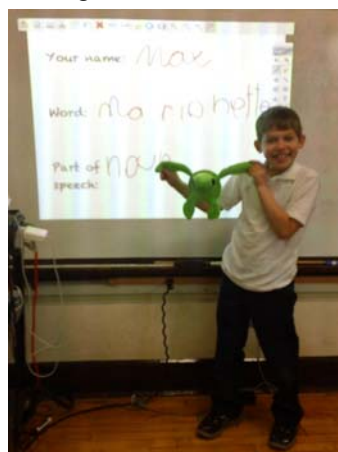
The junior and senior high youth groups from **ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL AND PARISH—FARMINGTON** visited the parish's shut-ins and local nursing homes the week before Christmas, bringing cookies and carols. The young people baked cookies and played games in the school cafeteria before making visits.



"Our goal was to visit those who may be lonely during the Christmas season and show that they have not been forgotten," said **Abe AuBuchon**, **St. Joseph's Youth Minister**, "but it also lifted the spirits of our youth and helped them understand even more the love Jesus wants us to show to everyone."

ST. ANN CATHOLIC SCHOOL third graders are learning vocabulary in a unique way by choosing a new word from the dictionary, "dressing" like the word might look, and sharing what they have learned with their classmates.

Third grade teacher **Renee Joiner** calls the project "**Wearable Words.**"



Her class has also completed a unit on outer space by creating models of the solar system.

*Pictured—**Federica S.** (right) displays her model of the solar system and **Max V.** (left) presents his new word, "marionette," using a turtle puppet.*



ST. JAMES THE GREATER AND MOST HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOLS have been awarded grants from the **Innovative Technology Education Fund**. St. James the Greater Catholic School received a grant in the amount of \$8,044 for the "**Click & Climb**" Project—**Integrating Wireless Response Systems to Stimulate Student Achievement**. The grant will bring the "clicker" student response technology into the third through eighth-grade classrooms to improve student achievement, especially in mathematics. A staff member at St. James the Greater School states, "We hope that students will 'click' and see their test scores 'climb!'"

MOST HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL AND ACADEMY received a grant for \$9,000 to fund "**Eyes and Ears - Progressive Learning Aids.**" The program will allow both students and parents to tune into the learning process by using visual and audio broadcast learning aids. A parent unable to attend a student SMART Board presentation can tune in remotely from home or office and become part of the instruction. Students promote interactive learning opportunities by A) using technology tools B) sharing skills and teaching others, and C) using today's media to connect school to home and family.