



**Mr. Jeremie Solak,
Principal**

March 5, 2021

From the Principal's Pen

Dear Families,

Here are a few updates and announcements:

- **In The Works—Elementary Reading Curriculum and Secondary Science Curriculum:** we are reviewing new curriculum for elementary reading and secondary science textbooks for next year to help us grow stronger readers and scientific knowledge and skills.
- **Connections Coordinator—Mrs. Janowiak:** Mrs. Janowiak's roll in the school is Connections Coordinator and Director of Stewardship (organizing our volunteer hours). If you have a student need or question about volunteering, contact her at the front desk.
- **Chess Boards and Time Clocks**—are available in the office for students to use during lunch.

If you haven't yet taken a peek into *Resisting Happiness* for Lent, here are a few highlights:

- **“When you are discouraged or caught up in procrastination, simply do the tiniest thing to move whatever you are working on forward.”**
- **“What are your talents? What are you really good at? How is God calling you to make the world and the Church better through those talents?”**

In the Cordiality of Christ,

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P.S. **Try Something New**—sign up for daily emails and videos with Dynamic Catholic's “Best Lent Ever Program”:

<https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent/best-lent-ever.html>

P.P.S. **Coffee with the Principal:** Have something on your mind? Just want to chat? Looking for a good cup of coffee? Drop in to the school cafeteria for Coffee with the Principal—this Friday, March 12th, from 8-9 a.m.

P.P.P.S. **Lenten Quotation**—“Every saint has a past; every sinner has a future.” ~Oscar Wilde

Dates to Remember

Divine Mercy Parish Calendar

Please check the Divine Mercy Parish Calendar often

<http://www.calendarwiz.com/calendars/calendar.php?crd=catholiccommunityofmanistee>

School

3/10 Advisory Board Meeting 5:30

Sports *Subject to Change*

3/5 V Girls BB vs. Fruitport Calvary Christian 5:30-7:30

3/5 V Boys BB vs. Pine River 7:30-9:00

3/6 Bowling @ Spartan West Scottville 10:00-2:00

3/6 JV/V Girls BB vs. Tri-Unity Christian 2:00-4:00

3/10 JV/V Boys BB vs Brethren 6:00-9:00

3/11 JV/V Girls BB @ Marion 6:00-9:00

3/12 JV/V Boys BB vs Traverse City Christian 6:00-9:00

3/13 Bowling @ The Gate Big Rapids 10:00-2:00

Saber basketball fans, catch your favorite Saber team by logging into nfhsnetwork.com, create your account, search Catholic Central Manistee, and enjoy all the Saber action.

Prayer Intentions

Daily Morning Prayer

A reminder to all that we meet daily for morning prayer at 7:55.

On Thursday's after morning prayer, parents are welcome to stay to talk about issues on faith, and parenting before the first mass at 9:00. **Please pray for our priests, Fr. Basil and Fr. Zejlko.**

Parent Community Involvement

Our Parent Community Involvement (PCI) is designed to involve parents in the life of the school. Your time and talent is an integral part of many programs at MCC: the Harvest, Washington Group, playground, hot lunch, lunch recess, athletics, committees, classroom parents, field trip chaperones, etc. are all important elements to the life of our school. It is important that parents participate in the total educational experience of their children and PCI helps to provide this opportunity. To be connected with PCI opportunities, please call the school and ask for Mrs. Janowiak (hjanowiak@sabers.org) <https://www.sabers.org/pci> Currently, bottles and cans need to be returned, furniture assembled for the new daycare program, and helpers needed in the lunchroom and at recess (11:00-1:30). All parent volunteers must have the necessary volunteer paperwork submitted to the school office.

Help Needed for Swiss Steak Dinner

On Thursday, March 18th, 3:00-5:30 we need volunteers to fill to go containers and to help with pick up at the school. Contact Aisha Newenhouse if you are able to volunteer, anewenhouse@sabers.org

MCCS Student Shadow Days

Due to regulations on large gatherings, we are unable to have a normal Open House this year. To take the place of our Open House, we will be offering three dates for prospective students to shadow: Friday, March 19th, Friday, April 23rd, and Monday May 3rd. We will also have a small presentation for interested parents from 8am - 8:30am on those dates to learn more about the school and then take a tour. We will have a form online for parents to fill out and submit a week prior to the respective shadow date. If you know of anyone considering MCC, please share this opportunity with them! If you have questions, contact Jenny Howes at jhowes@sabers.org

March is Reading Month

Please follow this link to a calendar of events for Elementary's March is Reading Month activities. https://www.canva.com/design/DAEW9R4p_dI/VSohruRNd29beuNUpGzLfg/view?utm_content=DAEW9R4p_dI&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link&utm_source=sharebutton

Advisory Council Meetings

The Advisory Council meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 5:30 P.M. in the MCC Library. If you would like to add to the agenda or have any concerns, please call the front office or contact Mrs. Tamara Buswinka 3 days in advance. You can email the Advisory Council - mccadvisorycouncil@gmail.com

Virtue of the Week

Our virtue this week is SACRIFICE - The strength to forgo one's own benefit for the good of others. What are some ways we can make SACRIFICES?

PRAYER:

Lord, You SACRIFICED everything dying for us on the Cross. You suffered all of that for our good, because you love us. May we learn how to SACRIFICE for those around us especially our family members, classmates and teammates. Help us to develop the habit of looking for ways to do good for others.

Saber Chef Dinners

Order your Saber Chef Meal today! <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdOzMdkQ7oI4yKJgFinQl8GpPf4kDib0gYnV1hIm3VsBzwqrg/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0>

Please remember that pick up for meals is from 2:30-3:30 on Thursday afternoon or from 7:30- 9:00 am Friday morning at the kitchen door behind the school (door #12) with the doorbell. Please do not come into the school to pick up your meal. There is no change, so please pay with exact cash or write a check to MCC. If you have questions please call or text 231-887-0002. Please order by Friday of the previous week.

