



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
Christ Community Scholars

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Friday Newsletter

3rd Grade

5/9/25

Teacher's Message/Announcements

- Spring MAP Growth Assessments will be taken on Thursday, May 8 (reading) and Wednesday, May 14 (math). All students in grades 1-8 will take their assessments at the same time, starting at 8:30AM both days. In order for students to be prepared to do their best, they should be well-rested, have a healthy breakfast, and arrive at school on time. Outside appointments that require a late arrival or pick-up before 11AM should be avoided.
- **Approved List of Food Items for School Year 2024-2025**
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1iA_D6OGjSil0tg_BxrvY2PTGValHFNhR/view?usp=drive_link

Calendar/Important Dates

- Tuesday, May 13 - 8:15 AM Mass (Students must be in formal dress)
- Wednesday, May 14 - MAP Math

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Important School Announcements

- Our annual May Crowning will be held on Tuesday, May 13 during Mass. At the beginning of Mass, all students will present flowers to Mary. **Each student is asked to bring in one (1) long-stemmed flower that morning.**

Social Studies

This Week: Students will continue to learn about Ancient Greece and their architecture, arts, sports, as well as their government.

Next Week: Students will be introduced to what life was like in Ancient Greece and how it has changed over time. They will also complete a cause and effect activity about life in Ancient Greece.

*Study Guides will be sent home in Friday Folders and the Unit Test will be Tuesday, May 20th.

Math

This Week: Students will continue to learn multiplication and division strategies. They will also learn basic multiplication facts of 3, 4, and 6.

Next Week: Students will continue to learn their multiplication facts 3, 4, and 6. We will review using models and arrays for their division strategies. They will be introduced to the 7, 8, and 9 multiplication facts using the properties of addition.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This Week:

We completed our Poetry/Figurative Language Units this week, examining different features and types of each. Students also created their Poetry books, which consisted of several different types of poems that they wrote. They are excited to share all of their work with you.

Next Week:

-Word Study (Spelling): Other Final Stable Syllables (picture, treasure, nation, mansion, onion) -

Quiz - Friday, 5/16

-Writing/Grammar

-Skill(s): 3 Paragraph Research Paper (Next 2 weeks)

-Mentor Text: *None*

-Mentor Sentence: *None*

-Reading - Book Clubs (Next 3 weeks) - Story Elements, Reading Skills and Comprehension

Homework: [Reading Page \(Let's Learn It\)](#) - *None*

Study Resources: Grammar Voyages, ELA Notebook, Reading Notebook, ELAR Folder (Reading Practice Pages), and Word Study Intro Letter/Packet

Theology

This Week:

3rd grade had our Retreat on Tuesday where we spent time thinking about Grace and how God interacts with us and then reflecting on how we can build our relationship with Him. We also completed Unit 3 within our Christ In Us workbook with discussions and a test, as well as met as a school to say the second decade of the Rosary.

Next Week:

-Rosary - Thursday

-Theology of the Body - Lessons 1 and 2 - We will learn about why God made us, how creation shows the glory of God, and the Gift-Of-Self

-Hail Holy Queen Prayer (Students have received a copy) - *Recite from Memory - Tuesday, 5/27*

What Is the Theology of the Body?

The Theology of the Body (TOB) refers to the collection of 129 Wednesday Audiences, or short public speeches, given by Pope St. John Paul II during the first five years of his papacy. TOB helps us understand the very foundation of our identity created in God's image as male or female. If you would like to know more, here is a link to the Curriculum that we are using to teach TOB. There you will find an overview and information regarding the types of lessons being taught. I've also attached a copy of the 3rd grade standards that relate to TOB. This can be found on the Diocese website as well.

<https://www.ruahwoodsintstitute.org/downloads/>
<https://discovercatholicschools.org/explore/academics/curriculum/>

Hail Holy Queen Prayer

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy towards us; and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

(Amen.)

Add When Praying in a Group

Verse: *Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.*

Response: *That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Amen.*

Study Resources: Theology Folder, Notebook, Fatima Prayer Copy, Hail Holy Queen Prayer Copy

Science

This Week: will be learning about the difference between chemical changes and physical changes to matter.

- A Study Guide will be sent home in Friday Folders for their Unit Test on Matter.
- Matter Unit Test- Thursday, May 15th

Next Week: Students will be learning about our Solar System beginning with planet Earth. They will learn about what causes the seasons and be introduced to the phases of the moon.