



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
Christ Community Scholars

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Friday Newsletter

3rd Grade

9/8/23

Teacher's Message/Announcements

- **Nurse's Notes:** You should have received an email regarding hearing and vision screenings earlier this week. If you would like your child to be screened, the permission form **must** be completed (link attached below). Screenings will begin toward the end of the month. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to clinic@cvillecatholic.org
[Hearing and Vision Permission Form](#)
- We are excited to announce our fall **Archangel Clubs** offerings for our students. We hope to see our students engage in these opportunities so that Charlottesville Catholic School can continue to grow its after-school programming. [Click here for more information on current offerings.](#)
- We are excited to be going on **field trips** this year and are looking forward to having parent chaperones help with that! To chaperone a field trip, you must be VIRTUS-trained. To register for that training, please use the following link: https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?the
- Our third grade classes will be shopping at our class store at the end of this September and they will use their play money to purchase an item. Donations of gently used toys, games, pencil sharpeners, erasers, ect..would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!
- **Approved List of Food Items for School Year 2023-2024**
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1nRmcw0NIXsa4UXbokX_ZBqj7zkgEXnFS/view?usp=sharing

Calendar/Important Dates

- Tuesday, **September 12** - Mass (Formal Dress) and Virtus Training at CCS (5:30-8:30pm)
- Saturday, **September 16** - Back to School Picnic (4-6pm)
- Tuesday, **September 19** - Mass (Formal Dress) and Student Pictures (3rd and 4th)
- Friday, **September 22** - First Quarter Interim (Normal School Day for JK-5th grade)

Teacher email addresses

- Ms. Grassi - k.grassi-mikell@cvillecatholic.org
- Mr. Little - t.little@cvillecatholic.org

Social Studies

This week students will learn how to use the elements on a map and identify the location of our seven continents on a map.

Next week students will complete their Map and Globe booklet. We will begin learning about our North American Continent. They will be introduced to the major rivers and mountain ranges.

Math

This week students will learn the three forms of writing numbers using place value: standard, expanded, and word form:

Next week we will learn place value to the ten thousands place, and continue with using the three different forms of writing numbers.

- **Homework** will begin on the week of September 11th. It will be assigned on Monday in their agenda. They will have homework on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of each week.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This Week:

Students completed a number of reading and language assessments this week (e.g., Spelling and Oral Reading Fluency), which will support the data from the MAP testing. We also read and discussed our first read aloud story, *Picture Day Perfection* (Focused on Summarizing and looking for key details) and learned about Simple Sentences.

Next Week:

-Grammar:

-Workbook - [Section 1 Test \(Sentences\) on Wed 9/13](#)

-Mentor Sentence (Focus: Subjects and Predicates) - [Quiz on Fri 9/15](#)

-Word Study (Spelling): Short Vowel Blends (clap, blob, sled, swim, snug) - [Quiz on Wed 9/20](#)

-Featured Story: *The Raft* - (Focus: Character Development) - [Quiz on Fri 9/15](#)

-<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GUs7pO-9wls>

Learning Ally [The featured story for the week is available here and can be accessed at home](#)

-portal.learningally.org - An online library resource with Read Aloud/Audiobook options, similar to Epic, but can be accessed at home at no additional cost to you.

Username - For example - t.little@cvillecatholic.org or ti.little@cvillecatholic.org (Student email)

Password - For example - catholic1234 (catholic + last 4 of Student ID)

Theology

This Week:

We celebrated the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary (9/8) and learned a little bit more about her by introducing additional feast days coming up in September/October such as the Most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary (9/12), the The Seven Sorrows of Mary (9/15), and Our Lady of the Rosary (10/7).

Next Week:

Students will learn about our first tenant of the school year - September: Respectfulness: Respectful of all God's creations. This year, we have renamed our virtues as tenants and are identifying the Christian Virtues needed to attain that tenant as well as connecting to the lives of Saints to see how that tenant is lived out. Our Saint for this month will be Saint Joseph, husband of Mary and earthly father of Jesus.

Students will continue to study/learn some of the prayers they are expected to know here at CCS this year such as Glory Be, The Lord's Prayer/Our Father, Hail Mary, Prayer Before Meals, Prayer After Meals, Guardian Angel Prayer, and the St. Michael Prayer. We will also begin Lesson 1 in our *Christ In Us* book as well as working through our *Writing Our Catholic Faith* and *Catholic Reflections* workbooks. These three books will be used regularly throughout the year in conjunction with other curriculum resources.

Science

This week we explored our science textbook and will be introduced to test features, beginning with the Table of Contents and Glossary. Students will also learn about seasons, and why they occur throughout the year.

Next week students will learn about the earth's axis, rotation, and revolution around the sun and how it affects our seasons.