

Dates to Remember

May 2: 3/4 field trip - Threshers

May 3: PK/K Screening

May 4: Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center Drive

May 4: Dental Sealants

May 5: May Crowning

May 7: First Communion

May 10: May Birthday Day

May 10: 1st field trip - Carthage

May 11: Spirit Day

May 12: Spring Fine Arts Night & Open House

May 16: GPD \$1 Casual Day

May 19: 6th grade Graduation Mass

May 25: School Picnic / Last Day of School

June 4: GPD Auction

June 12-16: Catholic Youth Bible Camp

Our Heroes for Hayden blood drive will be on **Thursday, May 4** from 2:00-6:00 pm, sponsored by the Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center. You may call Karla Sullivan (309-221-5444) for an appointment or register online. Please give if you can!

The Parent Committee to help with this event includes: Karla & Matt Sullivan, Elizabeth & Bryan Scheetz, Laura Beach, Erin Harris, Kelly & John Carroll, and Nicole & Eric Wheatley.

MAY CROWNING: Weather permitting, we will begin Mass outside around the statue of Our Blessed Mother for our May Crowning on Friday, May 5 at 8:30 a.m.

Please send fresh flowers with your children if you have any blooming in your yard. Join us if you can!



First Communion... Please join us Sunday, May 7, 8:00 a.m. at Sts. Peter & Paul Church to celebrate our students' reception of their First Holy Communion. This is a very special day for our Church and for these young members of our Hancock County parishes.

Our First Communicants are Anna Haas, Caleb Rea, Emma Scheetz, and Tanner Williams. Congratulations!

SPRING FINE ARTS NIGHT & OPEN HOUSE

Sts. Peter & Paul School will host our annual Fine Arts Night and Open House on Friday, May 12 beginning at 6:00 pm. You are invited to view students' artwork including Art LIVE, and visit the classrooms. Please invite anyone considering enrollment to this event – it's a great opportunity to see SPPS in action!

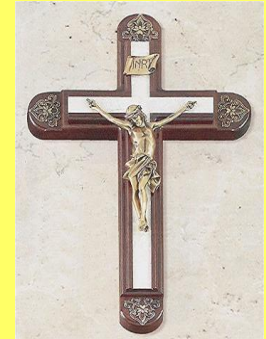
GRADUATION MASS: Our final Mass for the 6th graders will be on Friday, May 19 at 5:30 p.m. at Sts. Peter & Paul Church. We will be celebrating with Megan Allen, Jack Blakewell, James Scheetz, Joe Sullivan, and Jon Wilde. **GOOD LUCK IN 7TH GRADE!!**

ACCELERATED READER will end on Thursday, May 18 and all library books are also **due on Thursday, May 18.**

18th Annual God's Portion Day - Sunday, June 4

Mark your calendars and make plans to attend. This is our largest fundraiser of the year and **YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!!! (without GPD, tuition would be over \$3000!)** Please consider how you/your family can help – time, talent, or treasure – and step up to help. Let's all synergize for a successful year!!

- 8:00-10:30 a.m. Breakfast served
- 10:00 a.m. Auction begins
- 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. Kid Zone
- **PENNY WARS:** And the war is on - we are having lots of fun strategizing and sabotaging!! Who will have the most pennies each week? Thanks for your help!
- **TUITION RAFFLE:** Don't forget about the raffle tickets that were sent home – when you sell them, your family will have a chance to win (2) ½ year's tuition, 1 year free lunch, free book fee, or \$50 in uniform shirts - **this is a WIN-WIN situation for the students whose names are drawn and the school!** Ask family and friends to help you win and let us know if you need more tickets!



With the help of God's

grace,

we form the mind, body,

and spirit

of each child

within our school family;

we form children

to be

Leaders for Christ.

Book fees due MONDAY, MAY 1

MAY BIRTHDAYS

7 – Siouxfirra Young
10 – Elise Blakewell
 Anthony Evans
14 – Scarlett Yuskis
17 – Adelyn Wheatley
19 – Jackson Painter
22 – Haley Pilkington
28 – Cora Hanks
 Aspen Faul
30 – Brayden Williams

Mr. Dever, Mrs. Knipe, Mrs. Hayes

Our **SCHOOL PICNIC** will be on **Thursday, May 25** at the Park District Park (east end of Nauvoo, off of Young St) starting about 11:30 a.m. (eat at noon). The students will walk or be bussed to the park with their class. If it rains, we will picnic in the gym.

The committee is Jocelyn & Brandon Priebe (chair), Sheila & Matt Poppe, Natasha & JJ Young, Chelle & Todd Grotts, Amber & Scott DiPrima, and Nicole Wood.

Students need to bring a sack lunch and a drink.

Adults, you are welcome to join our potluck - please bring a dish, table service, and a drink!

Acts of Random Kindness

Students are encouraged to **BE LEADERS FOR CHRIST** every day - *a leader is someone who does the right thing even when no one is looking* – and we like to recognize those students with a weekly “ARK” drawing. Congratulations to our March recipients: **MaryKate Bendlage and Carson Schaefer**. They will be honored with an ARK t-shirt at Mass on Friday, May 5.