

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

January 30th through February 4th
Faith Excellence Service

Catholic Schools Week is an annual celebration of Catholic Education in the United States. Catholic Schools typically observe this week with the celebration of masses, assemblies, pep rallies, and service- based activities. It is a special week to celebrate what makes our schools uniquely different from all others, and CELEBRATE WE SHALL!

On Friday, January 21st, thousands of Catholics attended the annual March for Life, which traditionally seeks to end abortion, in Washington DC. However, on Friday in our school, we put testing aside, we attended mass together and then students and faculty focused on ways in which we can respect ALL life from conception to natural death. Younger students told stories of how they help their grandparents or make cards for Veterans. Older students had important discussions and created beautiful uplifting pictures to send to people feeling lonely in nursing homes. And we never forget our furry friends!

In St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians, this past weekend, he reminds us all, "As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ." We heard that the ear is not greater than the eye, the foot is not greater than the hand, we function as one – one Body in Christ. In a world that has become so crazy with hate, division and political agenda, we are reminded that our church, and our school, has only one agenda –

"Love one another as I have loved you". John 13:34
"When we love one another, God lives in us". John 4:128

As we begin Catholic Schools Week, there are so many things that I am proud to celebrate. I am proud that we teach dignity at every age, I am proud that we teach love of neighbor, I am proud that we teach we are all one human race created by God and meant to share, care, help and love one another as God intends. I am immensely proud of my faculty, students, parents, priests and parishioners! We are one!

***"We are the light of the world, may our light shine before all,
that they may see the good that we do
and give glory to God!"***

May God continue to bless and keep us, and all who support us, as we continue the great mission of Catholic Education!

