



Thank you for a wonderful year!

Dear Parents and Friends of Saint Christopher School

It is truly hard to believe we are almost at the end of this school year. I want to thank the teachers, staff and parents for all they have done this year to make St. Christopher the nurturing, caring, and intellectually challenging school that it is. The students have worked extremely hard and I couldn't be more proud!

The end of the school year always seems to arrive too quickly. The thoughts of end-of-the-year festivities, summer, and outside activities sometimes can distract us from what is most important. Please continue to encourage your children to finish the year strong by putting forth their best effort everyday.

I want to say a special thank you to all our volunteers. You have helped make a difference in the lives of our students!

Our faculty and staff would also like to extend a special thank you to our Parent Group for organizing some excellent enrichment programs, great community activities and providing those special meals that we love so much! They have done an amazing job!

Our school community has had much to celebrate this past month!

- Hannah Lynch and Brody Sutton acted as “Principal for the Day” and did an outstanding job. They were able to visit classrooms, add an extra 5 minutes onto recess, make announcements on the intercom and even give out flowers at the volunteer appreciation breakfast!. These Acting Principals kept us all busy and certainly seemed to be a natural at taking on the responsibilities of the job!

- Our last official “Family Mass and Open House” of the school year was held on Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. Thanks are extended to you and your families for supporting this community event. I am most grateful. Thanks beyond measure are bestowed upon Marta Nissen and Carol Fiore, whose wisdom, spirituality, energy and leadership have been a guiding force in this as well as so many other school, church and community activities.

- The Spring Concerts and Arts Festival again proved that our students are truly talented! The first performances exceeded my expectations and entertained all who attended. I loved how all three teachers allowed students to have input in their music. A big thank you to Ms. Daigle for organizing this wonderful event!

- Another BIG thank you to Mr. Bailey for working so diligently with our beginner and advanced bands! I also want to thank Mrs. Bailey. Our fiddle squad provided us with a stellar performance. What really warmed everyone’s heart was when the both bands and both fiddle squads got together to play “Over the Rainbow”! As Mr. Bailey stated, “We are the only elementary school that can say they have an orchestra!!! Both Mr. and Mrs. Bailey share their time and dedication with us and they are to be commended! Lastly, how lucky are we to have Mrs. Fessenden as our art teacher? She has offered our students the opportunity to use several different types of media and the talent that she has fostered was evident in the display of fabulous artwork projected on the screen in the church! It sure did brighten up our evening!

- Our traditional May Crowning was held in the church on Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. Honoring Mary, the model of love, sixth grade student representative Matthew Nardone carried Mary’s crown to the altar, and presented it to Polina Frasca who placed it on the statue depicting Mary; sixth graders then placed flowers on the altar. What a tribute to Mary, the Queen of Heaven and Earth. We also honored our Veterans with a lovely ceremony. For their coordination of such a moving service, Miss Wefers and Mrs. Emond are to be commended!

- We continue to improve upon our teaching practices, as well as our curriculum in order to continue to provide the excellence that is St. Christopher.

Catholic schools are founded on the belief that there should be no separation between a time for learning and a time for formation, between acquiring notions and growing in wisdom. At St. Christopher these ideas are grounded in the Catholic faith.....it's what we do! This has been a fantastic sixth year as principal of St. Christopher School! I continue to be truly blessed! I hope everyone has a wonderful summer full of exciting things to do, relaxation, and quality family time. May God bless us all and keep us safe throughout the summer and may we remember we are always in His presence.

With much thanks~

***Cindy***