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Students Participate in the 25th Anniversary of the New Church

On Tuesday, September 23, the students participated in their first school Mass with the staff from the Parish Office and parishioners. It was a celebration of the new Church on the exact day of the dedication twenty-five years ago. Father Bob, our Pastor, began the liturgy in the gym where the parish community would gather for Mass anticipating the new church with an introduction from Father Edmund Luciano, a vocation of the Parish. The students carried the relics of the saints along with Sister Barbara O'Kane, Vice Principal and a vocation of the parish to the Religious Teachers Filippini Community, Father Bob treated the students and faculty to chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes and an ice-cream. The school staff and students were excited and enjoyed the treat.

The video will be posted shortly. Our technician is out of commission for a few days due to illness. As soon as the tech is back it will be posted in gallery section.

It was truly a beautiful day. The photo of the first church is on display in the cafeteria for our students' review. Also we are looking for a home in our school for the photos of the two angels that are on either side of the tabernacle in our new church.

Visitors on Their Way

The AdvancEd team will be visiting St. Augustine's on Tuesday morning. We are very proud and delighted to share our school with them and to be one of the schools to represent the diocese. The team members come from many parts of the United States near and far. We are asking our families to remember our school community, the diocesan schools and the School's Office staff during these days of preparation and visitation.

Student Council Elections

The students who are running for offices gave their speeches to the student body on Friday. Their speeches were well written and presented with confidence, poise and a love of St. A's. It was amazing to see the growth and maturity of the students through the years. Class representatives' speeches were given in the individual classrooms. Elections will begin on Tuesday.

After School Latin Classes

Latin will be offered after school this year since the schedule between Bishop Ahr High School and St. Augustine did not allow ample time for classes. Therefore, we are delighted to announce after school Latin classes. Students will still be able to receive credit for the Latin 1 class by participating in the program. Students who would like to learn about the language will be able to take an introductory class. We are looking forward to Mrs. J. Lepine being present in person the first and last guarter of the classes. The second and third will be given via video conferencing from France. We are very proud of our graduates who were able to continue in Latin II in high school. Sam G. earned and outstanding high grade in the National Latin Test and was recognized for his achievement. Sam is now a sophomore at St. Joseph's High School. He had a good start at St. A's.

Rubik Cube Club Getting Ready for the Month of October

The Rubik Cube Club members are working together to create the lovely mosaic of the Blessed Mother as we honor Mary as the Queen of the Most Holy Rosary. Mary will be honored by the school community in the afternoon on her feast day, October 7, with a simple rosary prayer service. Parents are welcome to join us at 1:15 PM in Church to pray for the intentions of peace.

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Students in Grade 4 working in pairs are using technology tools to support learning. Our students as visualize in the photos above are truly focused on the task at hand.



Pictured above our sixth graders are using an IPad in Art Class for sketching. We can be very proud of our teachers and students! *Focused and engaged!*

Grades K-5 enjoy a Science Assembly sponsored by Mad Science. The children are in awe!

