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St. Augustine

Proud member of the Notre Dame Family of Schools

Parish - St. Mary Church, 90 Griffith Street, Welland 905-734-3134







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Devotion to Mother Mary

In the month of May, we pray for Mary whose love for God through her devotion to her son Jesus is a model for all of us. To be pure, compassionate and willing to serve God no matter how hard the struggle. Mary gives us her son and teaches us about the gift of unwavering love.

In the Month of May our St. Augustine family will pray each day the Hail Mary Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

A Mother's Day Prayer

Lord we pray for all Happy Mather's Day
MOTHERS

Beautiful and wonderful they fill the earth Gracious in Your call they

carry life
In a bond of love they bring
forth a child.

We ask You to bless all MOTHERS today

May they feel the joys of motherhood everyday

In all their struggles giving us a livelihood May Your LOVE and COMPASSION be with them for good.

May every **MOTHER** feel today The pride and beauty of a family they bear Through all pain and sorrow Lord deliver them

In Your STRENGTH and GRACE may they always stay.

AMEN!

Read full Prayer at christianstt.com

Parish Events



Mass Times

Sunday: Italian 09:00 English 10:30am Saturday: 5:00pm

Weekday Mass: 8:00 (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)
Weekday Mass: 9:30 (Friday)

oth of May we celebrate Catholic

In the Month of May we celebrate Catholic Education Week from May 1st through May 5th. Check out our Niagara Catholic Social Media pages for updates and events that have been planned for the week.

~~~ Mission Statement ~~~

"The Niagara Catholic District School Board, through the charisms of faith, social justice, support and leadership, nurtures an enriching Catholic learning community for all to reach their full potential and become living witnesses of Christ"

Community Crew Lunch Program

Each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, the Community Crew **Lunch Program delivers pre**packed lunches for our students. This amazing program is organized by volunteers who box a little over 4000 lunches each day for our schools. The lunches are different each day and each box has a note of encouragement and love telling our students to have a great day, you are amazing etc. The love and compassion that goes into this program are endless and we are so grateful to be part of it. Our only ask is that our students do not waste or take for granted the lunches that are sent each day. Items that are not used, go back into our snack bins so we are wasting as little as possible.



Hot Dog Day

On Friday May 24th, we will having a free hot dog day for our Gators. All you need to do is place a request on School Cash Online. We would like to prepare enough for that day so please don't miss out on ordering for your children.



ECO News

We have had a very busy month collecting aluminum cans and old batteries to recycle for our Community Crew Recycling initiative. We have as a community collected well over 15 000 items that will now be properly recycled and kept out of landfill sites. We have embraced our call to be stewards of the environment and are doing a fantastic at making simple changes that make a big impact.



Great Work Gators

Graduation

Save the Date. Our Graduation will take place on Friday, June 21st. We look forward to celebrating their milestone with them. We will also celebrate grad breakfast on Monday June 24th.



Kindergarten Orientation

On Tuesday May 14th 4-4:30pm, we will have our kindergarten orientation here at the school. Parents of our newly registered and registering kindergarten students are invited to join us for an information session. We look forward to meeting you and our new Gators.

Celebrations Excellence Awards

On Wedensday May 8th, the Niagara Catholic District School Board is celebrating it's Excellence Awards night at Brock University. That night we are proud to recognize Damian P as our Catch the Spirit Award Winner. Congratulations Damian on your leadership, commitment to St. Augustine and being an awesome example to your peers.



Kindergarten Open House

On Tuesday, May 14th we will be holding our Kindergarten Orientation Night for our incoming Gators. This is a night where you discover what kindergarten will look like for your children. Great time to get our Gators ready for a new school year with lots of tips and information. Please join us May 14th at 4pm.

EQAO

Beginning on May 29th, our grade 3 and 6 students will take part in the EQAO standardized testing. This assessment in language and math will be over several days and is a marker in their learning journey.

Dress Code

We are asking parents to please help us ensure our Gators are in dress code each day. Keeping our students in dress code prevents situations where we are having to get them to change into dress code items we have here. We want to keep the dress code policy in place and it takes away from the morning routine when we have to address this with students. Navy blue pants or jeans/shorts and white or blue collar shirts are permitted. Gator spirit wear or Notre Dame Spirit wear is also permitted.

Thanks for your support

THANK YOU

It has been an overwhelming response of generosity with the many initiatives we have going on right now. Our Chicken Noodle Soup for St. Vincent DePaul, our Cereal Challenge for the Hope Center and our Recycling has been an enormous success. It is all because of you so Thank you Gator Family.

Gator Sports

We will continue to have junior sports this year as a way to show our Gators their future home at ND. We will have our grade 4 students take part in dodgeball on Tuesday May 7th, grade 5 will have handball on May 15th and grade 6 students will have soccer baseball in June.





