



AHS PARENT CONNECTION

KEEPING YOU INFORMED March 13, 2020



Mission: *To inspire excellence and personal growth grounded in Catholic principles and tradition*
Vision: *A community of academic excellence, Catholic in spirit and culture, nurturing integrity and respect.*

Dates to Remember:

- Mar. 17: Happy St. Patrick's Day
- Mar. 18: High School/Middle School Reconciliation
AMS—10:53-11:49 AHS—11:49-12:45
- Mar. 23: Spring Break
- Mar. 30: Back to School
- Apr. 2: Musical Dinner Show
- Apr. 3: Musical 7:00 pm
- Apr. 4: Musical 7:00 pm
- Apr. 8: Shadow Stations 7 pm
- Apr. 9: Hex 5 ends
- Apr. 10 & 13: No School

ROYAL PARENTS SPRING FUNDRAISER

SEROOGY'S CHOCOLATE & COFFEE
 GUARANTEED EASTER DELIVERY!!

**ORDERS DUE:
 MONDAY, MARCH 16TH**



We are busy preparing for this years AHS Musical - "Freaky Friday"

To help make this years production a success, we are in need of many volunteers.

We'll have a cast dinner on Saturday, March 14th

Rehearsal is on Wednesday, April 1st

Dinner Show is on Thursday, April 2nd

Public Shows will be on Friday, April 3rd &

Saturday, April 4th

And finally, "Striking the Set" will take place on Sunday, April 5th

Please click on the attached Sign Up link to volunteer.

Your help is VERY MUCH appreciated.

Any questions, please contact: Mrs. Jan Baker @

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Thank you in advance for your help.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0848AAA72FA4F58-ahsmusical>

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER BECKER: What's My Excuse?

My dog ate my homework...My computer crashed...You gave me too much homework...etc. Students come up with all sorts of excuses for not doing their homework. Sooner or later their excuse just get to be too much for teachers. Did the student actually have a valid reason this time or is it just another instance of laziness? Looking from the outside we can understand a teacher's frustration when a student repeatedly makes an excuse or flat out refuses to get their homework done. After all, if the student wants to pass the class they need to fulfill the requirements. If they don't fulfill the requirements, then they simply can't pass the class. Regardless if someone is a parent or a teacher, a display of countless excuses can be really maddening. "Just do your homework already!"

Yet, how often do we do the same thing as adults? We make excuses all the time even when it comes to the practice of our faith. I didn't go to Sunday Mass because I needed sleep...I was on vacation...my child has a sports practice. I ate meat on Friday during Lent...because I needed the protein for lifting...I didn't want to be the only one to order fish when I was with my friends...I don't think it matters. I didn't pray yesterday because I was too busy...I would've fallen asleep anyway...I wasn't in the mood. We make excuses all the time to justify our actions and our lifestyles. Of course our excuses seem valid especially when compared with our children's. Yet when it comes down to it, our excuses really aren't all that different. Something is required of us in order to be a practicing Catholic, and like our children we choose not to fulfill some of them.

As we progress through the season of Lent, we must continue to allow the Holy Spirit to cleanse our hearts. It could be necessary for us to reevaluate the excuses we use. According to Jon Taffer (Bar Rescue guy), "An excuse is just a rationalization of a mistake." A mistake is just that a mistake, a screw up. It's not necessarily something malicious. Most of the time a mistake is an oversight. Yet in an effort to look good or convince ourselves that we're not actually messing up, we make up reasons which compelled us to commit the mistake. Pretty soon we take our innocent mistakes and claim them as excuses (reasons beyond our control) which prevent us from fulfilling a requirement. I find myself doing this quite often. If I put my mind to it, I can discover all sorts of excuses for not doing this or that. For example, I sometimes claim my mismanagement of time as a legitimate excuse for missing a deadline. I don't want to face my mistakes and the reality that I need to change something.

We all have excuses for failing to fulfill something required of us, especially if it is something we're not particularly excited about—homework, fasting from meat, preparedness, going to Mass on Sunday... However, now is our time to admit our mistakes for what they are, and to start over and to begin anew.

*"Father, what mistakes of mine do I use as excuses?
 Jesus, what are those things in my life that need to change?
 Holy Spirit, help me with Your grace to overcome my mistakes."*

STUDENT LIFE AT ASSUMPTION HIGH SCHOOL



Artist: Maddy Bohn Grade 12
Title: God's Glory
Media: Stained Glass



Artist: Abby Ashbeck Grade 12
Title: Blooming Expectations
Media: Ceramics/Clay



Artist: Maribelle Miller Grade 9
Title: Desert Flowers
Media: Pencil

These pieces were selected to be displayed, at the Art Conference at the Center for Visual Arts in Wausau, from March 12th through April 29th. Go and see the top chosen artwork from the Marawood schools



"Students from our Pro Life Club pray at the clinic in Stevens Point where they give chemically induced abortions just across the street from the University of Wisconsin Stevens Point. Students on the sidewalk, where they were walking and had just finished praying the Rosary for the end of abortion and the conversion of all of those at the clinic."

"Students visited the 1st Choice Crisis Pregnancy Center across the street from the clinic where they do chemically induced abortions. Students learned that services are offered for free to those that come there, as they are able to see an ultrasound of their babies and encouraged to take their babies to term and provided the resources to do so. Should they decide to keep their baby after birth, and not give their child over to adoption, they are provided services to help them and their baby personally for free to get started in their new lives together. We also learned that these Mothers' just need encouragement and support as they are looking at abortion because they don't feel like they are receiving that, and typically they are not, but when they are given the help and support they need they no longer feel overwhelmed and that they can care for their baby."

