



SAINT MARGARET

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Mass Schedule

Daily: Saint Margaret Chapel Monday - Friday: 6:30 am and 8:30 am
Saturday: 8:30 am
Chapel is open for private prayer daily 6:30 am - 5:00 pm

Weekend: Saint Margaret Church Saturday: 4:00 pm and 5:30 pm
Saint Mary Magdalen Mission Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am and 12:00 pm
Sunday: 9:30 am and 11:00 am

Reconciliation: Saint Margaret Church Saturday: 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm and immediately following the 5:30 pm Mass

Mass Intentions January 28, 2012 - February 5, 2012

Saturday	4:00 pm	David Phillips
	5:30 pm	Tim Laird
Sunday	7:30 am	Charles Ferraro
	9:00 am	Frank Meadowcroft
	9:30 am	Parishioners of Saint Margaret
	10:30 am	Patricia Dolan
	11:00 am	Dorothy Trinite
	12:00 pm	Peggy Tighe
Monday	6:30 am	Patrick Ford (Sp. Int.)
	8:30 am	Inez M. Sobolewski
Tuesday	6:30 am	Eucharistic Service
	8:30 am	Roman Swiderski
Wednesday	6:30 am	Eucharistic Service
	8:30 am	Frank Meadowcroft
	8:30 am	Muriel Spagnolo
Thursday	6:30 am	Adriana Alinsod
	8:30 am	Charlotte Peterson (Sp. Int.)
Friday	6:30 am	Eucharistic Service
	8:30 am	Stephen Toth, Jr.
Saturday	8:30 am	Barbara Hartka
	4:00 pm	Ted Chizmar
	5:30 pm	Stephen George and Anna Marcin
Sunday	7:30 am	Parishioners of Saint Margaret
	9:00 am	Paul and Josephine Guercio
	9:30 am	Frank Meadowcroft
	10:30 am	Dorothy Trinite
	11:00 am	Eric Jon Olsen
	12:00 pm	Patricia Dolan

The Parish Office hours: Monday through Thursday - 9:00 am to 7:30 pm
Friday - 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Nursery Service Available



For children up to 3 years of age, nursery service is available in the Preschool building (next to the church) during the 9:00 and 10:30 am Masses and at Saint Mary Magdalen during the 9:30 and 11:00 am Masses. Trained staff will care for your children while you attend Mass. This is a free service.

Readings for February 5, 2012

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Comfort for the sorrowful
Reading I Job 7:1-4, 6-7	Job's first reply
Reading II 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23	Paul's recompense
Gospel Mark 1:29-39	Cure of Peter's mother-in-law and other miracles
Key Passage That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. (Mark 1:32-34a)	
Adult When have you felt the sadness of Job? When have you felt the joy of those who witnessed the healing works of Jesus?	
Child What could you do this week to comfort someone who is sad?	

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Seeking a world transformed and unified in Christ

Saint Margaret Church

Bulletin for the week of January 29, 2012

Saint Mary Magdalen Mission

Welcome To Saint Margaret!

We welcome new members, visitors and guests. Your presence helps enliven our community and we thank and praise our God for each and every one of you!

Breaking News

Saint Margaret School Open House

Wednesday, February 1

8:30 am to 2:00 pm.

Preschool and Elementary campus

141 N. Hickory Avenue

Middle School campus

1716 Churchville Road

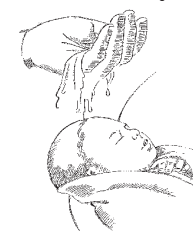
Coffee and Conversation

Thursday, February 2 at 9:00 am in the Adult Education Center. All are invited to drop by for some homemade goodies and fellowship.



Once again this year, our parish will participate in the Souper Bowl of Caring. On the weekend of **February 4 and 5**, our poor box will support the Souper Bowl of Caring. All money raised will be donated to the Franciscan Center of Baltimore. We hope you will consider continuing the generosity Saint Margaret Parish has always shown for this cause.

Welcome Madelyn Rose Amig



who was baptized last weekend into the Saint Margaret parish community. May she continue to receive God's blessings and grace.

Celebrating Catholic Schools Week



Across our nation, Catholic Schools Week begins January 29. Catholic schools will be planning fun and educational activities for students of all ages in celebration of our Catholic identity. Saint Margaret parishioners can enjoy Saint Margaret school children as they greet and participate in the 9:00 Mass in church and the 11:00 Mass at St. Mary Magdalen Mission adorned in their Catholic school uniforms. Visit the school during open house and see classroom doors decorated with pictures of the saints the children are studying and emulating. Middle school students will be bused to the elementary school campus to share in praying and creating saint art projects and prayers. But the activities go much farther in emulating saintly deeds. Children will be given the chance to make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for Our Daily Bread, bring in gently used jeans for Teens for Jeans, an organization aimed at helping homeless teens, and pray as one Catholic community at Mass with their prayer partners. In addition, students will learn more about their Catholic identity when a vocations panel of experts consisting of brave priests, brothers, nuns, and deacons answer questions about religious life in the Catholic Church. Saint Margaret students from grades one to eight have created the questions in religion class, so it is sure to be enlightening!

Pilgrimage to Rome

Join Cardinal-designate Edwin F. O'Brien on a pilgrimage to Rome for his elevation to the College of Cardinals. The Consistory during which the Cardinal-designate will be appointed a Cardinal by Pope Benedict XVI, will take place on February 18 at St. Peter's Basilica. Highlights of the pilgrimage, February 14-21, include:

- * Consistory at St. Peter's Basilica
- * Visits to new Cardinals at the Apostolic Palace
- * Papal audience in Paul VI Audience Hall
- * Free time for the sites of Rome and the Vatican

For details, download a brochure at www.archbalt.org or call 1-800-225-7662, ext. 14.

Community Notes

Healing Service at Saint Clare Parish

Monday, February 6 at 7:30 pm, 714 Myrth Ave. in Essex. It is sponsored by the "Living Water" prayer group. All denominations are cordially invited.

Atlantic City, N.J. Bus Trip

Sponsored by Prince of Peace Church in Edgewood. Two days, one night, **Feb. 23-24**. Package includes 1 night lodging at the Showboat Casino, plus a buffet dinner and \$15 coin bonus. \$159 pp (double occupancy). Call Kathy, 410-679-5912 or 410-937-5929 or e-mail kathyc1216@yahoo.com for reservations or more information.

Vera Bradley/Longaberger Basket Bingo

Sunday, February 26 at Prince of Peace Church in Edgewood. Doors open 1:30 pm. Bingo starts at 2:30 pm. Tickets: \$15 through Jan. 22; \$17 thru Feb. 25; and \$20 at the door. For more information, contact Sister Susanne, 410-679-5912 or Dolores Huff, 410-676-0418.

Married Couples Retreats

Join us in Priestfield, WV on the weekends of March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 or April 27. Call Elaine, 410-252-5355 for more information.

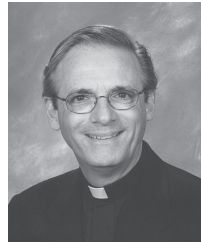
Retreat For Women

The Catholic Ladies Service Organization is sponsoring a retreat day for women on Saturday, March 24. The retreat will be held at Crucifixion Church in Glen Burnie, MD and will be led by Fr. Jesse Bolger. Please call Natalie Boyd at 410-515-0309 if interested.

St. Anthony CYO Reunion

March 24, 6:00 to 11:00 pm at the Parkville American Legion Hall. Only 135 tickets available. \$45 per person. See www.cyor-reunion.com for more information.

From Father Mike



Dear Friends,

This weekend I am making a few final comments for now about our capital campaign. As I

have shared, we are in the home stretch of the formal part of the campaign. There will be phone calls to many of you during these weeks and also an opportunity to make your commitment or pledge on one weekend at all of the Masses. The formal part of the campaign will conclude by mid February. Now I want to repeat a few basic points.

- The Embracing Our Mission/Shaping Our Future campaign is an exciting and important moment. It will enable us as a parish and also the broader Catholic community of the Archdiocese to move into the future much stronger for the mission God has given us to do.
- I am asking all of us to consider a pledge or gift to this. I recommend that we look at this as a sacrificial gift – as making some extra financial sacrifice for God's work.
- I believe that the correct way to approach this is: Equal sacrifice, not equal amounts. The right amount for one person or family is not the right amount for another. We give and sacrifice in proportion to what we have been blessed with, in our own personal circumstances.
- I have been consistent in asking us to do this in addition to our giving to the offertory. Our offertory giving is for our ministry or operating budget. Those contributions enable our day to day ministry, services and programs to happen. This is always the priority. The gifts to the capital campaign are for extraordinary capital needs above and beyond the everyday life of the parish and Archdiocese.
- The generations before us here in Bel Air have given us so very much.

It amazes me that the parishioners here in the 1960s, far fewer families than we have today, built our church building (with an estimated value today of \$6.6 million) and our hall/gym (with an estimated value today of \$2.7 million). They have given us so much. Now we are being asked to repair, renovate, and in some respects enhance these buildings for today's and future generations (estimated project costs of about \$3 million).

- Our giving to the Archdiocese in this campaign is an expression of our Catholicism. We are not a stand-alone church. We are part of a world-wide community of churches united in the Bishop of Rome, the Pope, in and through our own Archbishop. Besides being united doctrinally and liturgically, we are also united in works of service and education. This is why we are being asked to give to Archdiocesan needs. Ten years ago, in a similar campaign, Saint Margaret Parish received from the Archdiocese \$2 million for the urgent construction of the education center at Saint Mary Magdalen. We needed that very much at that crucial time of growth and expansion, and the Archdiocese assisted. This time we are being asked to give to assist with some critical needs in other locations in the Archdiocese.

Well, that's it for now. To date, you, the people of Saint Margaret Parish, have given or pledged a total \$2,207,990 to this campaign. That has come from 347 families. **This is wonderful and I am proud of us, and very thankful to all who have made sacrificial gifts already. I encourage all of us to prayerfully consider doing this and look forward to the participation of many more families in this.** We are a vibrant, alive, wonderful community of faith and I thank you all very much.

Father Mike

Spiritual Reflections Via E-Mail

Beginning this Lent, Father Mike will send weekly reflections via e-mail. If you would like to receive these reflections, please send your name and preferred e-mail address to ksaccenti@stmargaret.org. Thank you!



God promises a safe landing
Not a smooth flight.

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Father Marty's Corner
"Think about it."



Marriage Moments

What puts your beloved in a romantic mood? Candles? Sweets? Try reading The Song of Songs.

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First Friday Devotion - February 3

All are invited to participate in this devotion that follows the 8:30 am Mass.

First Saturday Devotion - February 4

This devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary will follow the 8:30 am Mass.

Adult Faith Opportunities

For more information, contact Marie Dekowski, 410-879-2670, ext. 126 mdekowski@stmargaret.org

Fifth Annual Marriage Conference

Saturday, February 11 from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm at the Callahan Center at Saint Mary Magdalen Mission. Sponsored by Marriage Works of Harford County. \$39 per individual and \$59 per couple. Conference includes continental breakfast, two presentations: *One Key Attitude for Marital Success* and *Making the Most of Personality Differences*; lunch, and four breakout sessions: *The Spirituality of Marriage*; *Understanding Your Financial Personality*; *Love Thinks*; and *Smart Stepfamilies (Blended Families)*. Contact Marie Dekowski, 410-879-2670, ext. 126 to register.

Annual Marriage Mass

February 12 at 3:00 pm at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen, 5200 N. Charles Street, followed by a reception in the Cathedral parish center. All married couples and their families are invited.

Contribution Tax Statements

All contributions are credited the week they are received. The 2011 contribution statements will be mailed by January 31, 2012.

Outreach Notes

For more information, contact Jane O'Hara at 410-838-6969/410-879-2670, ext. 143, or e-mail johara@stmargaret.org.

TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly)

The Health Ministry is interested in sponsoring this weight loss program here on our campus. The cost is nominal - \$26 per year. If interested, please call 410-838-6969, ext. 141 and leave a message.


Home Items Needed

A local transitional home needs pots and pans, food storage containers, casserole dishes, microwave in good working order, and a microwave stand. Contact Robert at 443-866-7979 if you have these items to donate.

Substance Abuse Ministry


H EALING Resolve to Recognize my Ad-
R ECOVERY dictions. We are all addicts.
P REVENTION Human beings are addictive
P EACE by nature. Substance addic-
tions are merely the most vis-
ible form of addiction, but
actually we are all addicted to
our own habitual way of doing anything,
our own defenses, and most especially our
patterned way of thinking, or how we pro-
cess our reality. By definition you can never
see or handle what you are addicted to. It is
always "hidden" and disguised as something
else. As Jesus did with the demon at Gerasa,
someone must say, "What is your name?"
You cannot heal what you do not first ac-
knowledge. Please consider coming to one
of the many meetings on our campus:
Mondays, 7:00 pm - Families Anonymous
Fridays, 7:00 pm - Alcoholics Anonymous
Saturday, 7:30 pm - Women for Sobriety
Sundays, 6:00 pm - Narcotics Anonymous
Sundays, 8:00 pm - Alcoholics Anonymous

Special Olympic Scarves

 If making a scarf for the Mary-
land athletes, please bring
them to the Outreach office by
February 7. Please go to www.
scarvesforspecialolympics.org for more in-
formation. Many thanks to all who have al-
ready contributed their time and talent!

Volunteer Opportunities:


 **Sandwich Ministry** - Once
a month our parish makes
and delivers about 55 lunches
to the area needy on a Sun-
day from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm.

Holy Rollers - We hope
to create a team of vol-
unteers to organize three
trips each year to nearby
places offering spiritual
and personal enrichment and renewal. 

Prison Ministry - The Detention Center
is offering an orientation on Monday, Janu-
ary 30 at 6:00 pm for anyone interested in
becoming involved with prison ministry. We
have two teams - one offers Communion
services on Sunday evenings from 6:00 -
9:00 pm, and the other makes rosaries with
the women on Q dorm on Fridays from
1:00 - 2:30 pm. On either team, you would
serve approximately once every five weeks.

Hospital Eucharistic Minister - If
you have an hour or two to offer, please
consider taking communion to the sick at
Upper Chesapeake Medical Center. You
may go at a time convenient for you and
can serve once a month or every week, as
your schedule permits. Training takes place
before your ministry begins.

Health Ministry

 It's never too late to make a resolu-
tion to adopt a healthier lifestyle.
However, saying you are going to
'eat better' or 'start exercising' just
isn't enough. You need to actively
incorporate your goal into your daily life. For
example, plan what you are going to eat a week
(or day) in advance, or schedule a specific time
to exercise. Need more ideas? Contact the
Health Ministry Team at 410-838-6969.

Ministry of Consolation "Life After Loss"

Weekly drop-in support group meets every
Tuesday beginning February 7 at 11:00
am in the Adult Education Center Library.
If you are grieving the loss of a loved one,
please consider attending. *Let your journey be
what it is. And let yourself - your new, grieving self
- be who you are.*

Liturgy Corner

Everything represents something...

At every Mass the priest and deacon wear a vestment called a stole. Its design looks similar to a scarf; however, it has far greater significance. The priest wears the stole around his neck while the deacon wears the stole on his shoulder and across his chest. The stole for both the deacon and priest represent that they are ordained ministers, highlighting their special role of service in the Church. The stole does not signify power but instead it highlights their commitment to service within their leadership role. Why does the deacon wear his stole differently than the priest? It highlights the difference in their respective roles.

It's The End Of The World As We Know It

(And we feel fine.) The end-times have always fascinated humankind, but what does the Catholic Church teach about it? What exactly will happen? Can anyone really predict when the world will end? And will Catholics be "left behind"? There are so many different teachings about the end of the world and how God will deal with us and His creation. On **Thursday, February 2** at 7:00 pm at the Adult Education Center, come join a discussion of Church teaching throughout history, and what we can expect in the last days. You may be surprised at how the story ends!

Keeping the Faith meets every first and third Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Adult Education Center. We travel in-depth into Catholic topics that you may have missed and help you understand and be able to explain them. New members are always welcome, so if you're interested, give Marie Dekowski a call at 410-879-2670, ext. 126.

Due Dates For Bulletin

Items are due by 10:00 am on the Monday preceding the Sunday of publication. If a holiday falls on a Monday, articles are due by 10:00 am on the previous Friday. Please fax to 410-879-2518 or e-mail ksaccenti@stmargaret.org.

Music Notes

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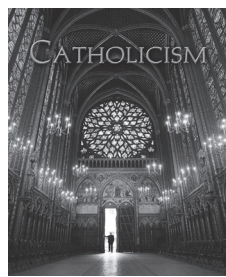
Special Music - 10:30 am Mass

"Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go" -
Thomas Keesecker

Saint Margaret Adult Choir

The setting of this text by James Quinn was composed by the former music director of Saint Margaret parish. It was written for Timothy Vezzetti upon his retirement as Director of Music at The Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd in Bel Air, Maryland.

Catholicism Series



Harford Catholic Assembly is presenting the 10-week DVD series "Catholicism" by Father Robert Barron. This series, recently aired nationally on television, is being offered jointly by the Catholic churches in Harford County as a means to share with one another the ongoing journey of our faith. The topic of Session Four is entitled, "Our Tainted Nature's Solidarity Boast - Mary, the Mother of God."

Session Four will be held on **Tuesday, February 14** from 7:00 - 8:30 pm at St. Mark, 2407 Laurel Brook Road, Fallston. For more information, please contact Bridgit Goedeke, 410-879-1706, ext. 111 or bgoedeke@saintmarkfallston.org.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

In recognition of the extraordinary efforts of our volunteers, we invite you to join us for an evening of food, fun and fellowship!

Friday, February 3

or

Saturday, February 4

7:00 pm in the Callahan Center
at Saint Mary Magdalen Mission
1716 Churchville Road ~ Bel Air

R.S.V.P. by Sunday, January 29
410-879-2670 or 410-838-6969, e-mail
name, preferred date and number at-
tending to ksaccenti@stmargaret.org.

Saint Margaret Youth Ministry

Kristin Rupprecht
Youth and Young Adult Minister
410-879-2670, ext 166
krupprecht@stmargaret.org

Confirmation Classes

Class: Sunday, Jan. 29, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
No Class on Sunday, Feb. 5
Class: Sunday, Feb. 12, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Make-Up Class time TBA

High School Youth Ministry (HSYM)FiRE House



Weekly schedule:

Mondays and Wednesdays, 2:30 - 5:00 pm Drop-in study time: Looking for a quiet, comfortable place to read, study or do homework with your friends? Come to FiRE House! We will open the house each Monday and Wednesday to provide you a quiet spot to work away from home. Bring quarters - we will have snacks and drinks for sale.

Tuesdays, 7:00 - 9:30 pm. High School Hangout Nights! Every week, we'll have different activities: movies, games, service activities, holiday events. Be there!

High School Service Opportunity

Saturday, February 11, we will be going to help at Harford Family House in Aberdeen. If you are interested, please call Kristin in the parish office. STAND-certified parents are needed to help drive and chaperone.

High School Ski Trip to Roundtop - RESCHEDULED!

Monday, February 20 (President's Day), 6:30 am - 6:45 pm. Sign up by February 12! Cost is \$15 for bus only (you bring your own lift ticket and skis); \$66 for bus and lift (you bring your own skis); \$90 for bus, lift and ski rentals (includes a free lesson). Permission forms in the parish office. Questions? Call Kristin in the parish office.

Middle School Madness Returns!

Friday, February 17 at the Saint Mary Magdalen Education Center, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Come play dodgeball and other games, help with a service project or watch a movie! Bring \$\$ - snacks and water for sale. STAND-certified adults are needed to help. Call Kristin in the parish office if you can help.

**No Bulletin Bonus
This Week!**



Education Notes ...

Faith Formation

410-879-2670/410-838-6969

Preschool and Elementary

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Keri Geibler, kgeibler@stmargaret.org

Middle and High School

CeeCee Meholic, cmeholic@stmargaret.org

Elementary Faith Formation Classes

3 and 4 year olds, Kindergarten and Grade 1
Wednesday: Feb. 1 and 8: 4:45 and 6:45 pm
Sunday: Jan. 29 and Feb. 5: 9:00 and 10:30 am

First Communion Parent Seminar

If you missed the seminar this past week, please call Keri Geibler.

Save the Date- First Communion Retreat on Saturday, March 24 for all children receiving their First Holy Communion in May 2012.

Middle/High School Faith Formation

Classes resume Jan. 31 and Feb. 1
Large Group Session - Feb. 7 and 8

Internet Safety Presentation February 7 and 8

This topic will be presented by Marc Southland of the FBI Baltimore Division Cyber Squad. Most of our students have cell phones, as well as easy access to the Internet, and with the rapidly changing technology, parents often can't keep up with the latest trends, sites, services and dangers. Mr. Southland is an authority on Internet safety and will raise awareness of the current issues that can affect students as they text, Facebook, Twitter or browse. He will also inform parents of how to safeguard their teens as they employ these technologies. Parents are expected to attend with their students. Please do not bring children younger than middle school age.

Home Study Students

Parents and students are expected to attend the Large Group Presentation as described above on either February 7 or 8. These assignments will be due at that time:
Grade 7: Completed "Sacraments" Workbook
Grade 8: Completed "Trinity" Workbook
Grade 9: Completed worksheets for Part B: Liturgy and Sacraments.

Saint Margaret School

Madeleine Hobik - Principal
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Middle School Campus 410-877-9660
Principal: mhobik@smsch.org
Assistant Principals: ashanahan@smsch.org;
and pfederowicz@smsch.org
Admissions: cpleiss@smsch.org

Catholic Schools Week

Sunday, January 29

9:00 am and 11:00 am Masses: Selected students will read a reflection and a school family will bring up gifts during offertory. Student greeters will be present during both Masses.

Monday, January 30 - Service Day

~All classroom doors will be decorated to represent the saint picked for each homeroom
~MS drop-off at ES
~Opening Liturgy, 8:30 am in Church
~Teacher of the Year announced after Mass
~Prayer Partner Activity, 9:30 am (activity will relate to the saint for each homeroom)
~Laser Light Show, 10:30 am in ES gym
~Bus pick-up from ES for MS students 11:30 am
~Student Council Luncheon, noon (lunch guests: Maintenance and Technology Staff)

Tuesday, January 31 - Community Outreach Day

ES students Pajama Day
Guidelines: Pajama pants/appropriate shirts, robes over pajamas, flannel pants/lounge pants, sweatshirts/sweatpants, tennis shoes, "Ugg" type boots (slippers and nightgowns are not allowed) ES Movie (G-rated) in classroom in afternoon

MS student Couch Potato Day

Guidelines for Pajama Day: Sweatpants (not yoga pants/leggings), sweatshirts, lounge pants, jeans, appropriate T-Shirt (with sleeves), tennis shoes, "Ugg" type boots, Sperry's, moccasins

Faith Formation Inclement Weather Policy

In case of inclement weather, our Faith Formation classes will follow the schedule of the Harford County Public Schools. If there is no school held, there will be no Faith Formation classes. If evening activities are cancelled, there also will be no Faith Formation classes. Get the latest school closure information directly from the home page of HCPS.org.

Items collected for Harford Family House brought in today. Elementary and Middle school students participate. ES students will write a prayer for the recipient of the item brought in and attach it to the item. MS students will also make PB&J sandwiches for Our Daily Bread. Grade 6 students bring in Grape Jelly, Grade 7 bring in peanut butter, Grade 8 bring in white bread.

Kick-off for Teens for Jeans. Help us make a difference in people's lives! All gently used jeans donated will be given to homeless teens. This contest involves approximately 2000 schools across the country. Students in all grades can participate. The school that collects the most jeans wins \$5000 and jeans for each student from Aeropostale. The drive will run from January 31 until February 9, 2012.

Wednesday, February 1 - Academics Day

Open House from 8:30 am - 2:00 pm (Please join us!)
8:30 am: Mass both ES and MS
H.S.A. sponsored free hot dog, chips and water lunch to all students and faculty

Thursday, February 2 - Faith Day

Noon: Vocations Panel Guest Luncheon, MS Library F.O.R. club will host and serve guests
1:00 pm: Vocation Panel (question and answer session) ES Panel held in ES gym (Grades 1-5) MS Panel held in Mission Dining Out at Liberatore 4:00-10:00 pm

Friday, February 3 - Spirit Day

Early Dismissal: 11:30 am - MS, 11:45 am - ES
Out-of-uniform for teachers and students (follow guidelines in student handbook)
11:00 am Pep Rally, MS gym (cheerleaders/basketball teams)
Teacher/Staff Luncheon sponsored by the H.S.A. noon in Mission
Ice World, 12:45 pm sponsored by the H.S.A., (skate rental \$3)