



Thursday, January 21, 2016

We, the Catholic School of St. Eugene, dedicate ourselves to keeping Christ in our vision by nurturing spiritual growth and academic excellence in our students, their families and the community in the tradition of the Roman Catholic Faith.

### Thoughts and Prayers

**April Ferguson**, sister of Tara Allison, who's battling stage 4 colon cancer. **Mia Lucas**, former CSSE student, as she heals from surgery and 10-plus weeks of recovery and rehabilitation. **Mary Guillen**, grandmother of Melanie Caudillo, who was recently diagnosed with breast cancer.

### Dates to Jot Down

- Today: School Mass, 8:15 a.m.
- Monday, 25: Youth group, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Wednesday, 27: RNO, Papa Murphy's on May
- Friday, 29: Fine Arts Night, 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- Sunday, 31: CSSE Open House, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

### CSSE Volunteers to be Recognized and Thanked on Feb. 1

If you volunteer in any capacity at St. Eugene, we invite you to Monday morning assembly on Feb. 1 so you can be recognized and thanked by our students. Afterward, you'll enjoy coffee and some breakfast treats with your fellow volunteers in the meeting rooms.

### Calling All CSSE Culinary Sweet Chefs

Get that sweet tooth ready and join us for our annual Fine Arts Night at 6 p.m., next Friday in Ross Hall. Back by popular and sweet demand -- culinary arts entries. Students can enter cupcakes to sell for \$1 and be judged that night. The cupcakes will be judged on flavor, presentation and originality. One award will be given for each category. Please refer to the email sent last week for more details. All proceeds will benefit the Fine Arts Department.

### A "Sign" of the Times – Display Your CSSE Yard Sign

Catholic Schools Week is right around the corner, so we need every St. Eugene family to proudly display their yard sign in support of our great school and Catholic education. If you don't have one, get yours for \$15 in the school office.

### Dads' Club Tourney Raises \$2,320 for Bereavement Fund

Thanks to all the dads who rolled out for last Friday's poker tournament. Congrats to returning champion Tim Mattingly.

### CSSE Tardy Count for the 2015-2016 School Year

Number of Tardies for the week of 1/11/2016: 44  
Tardies School Year-to-Date Total: 838

### Join the 2016 CSSE Social Media Blitz

The Catholic School of St. Eugene is ready to embark on a social media blitz! Please read below about how you can help spread the word about our fantastic school over the next few weeks!

### Spread the "Social Media" Word about CSSE

National Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States and is an opportunity for us to highlight the many attributes that make St. Eugene Catholic School so special. Beginning on Sunday, Jan. 31, we ask all parents to share positive, heartfelt experiences and reflections about our beloved Catholic school through social media. Please join us in sharing what you love about our school and let everyone know that St. Eugene is the kind of education you pray for! Don't forget to use these hashtags: **#Eaglepride**, **#Aeducationyouprayfor** and **#CSSE**.

### Help Grow our Great School at Our Open House

St. Eugene will enter our enrollment period soon, and we want to add new families that will complement and cherish our close-knit community. Perhaps you have a neighbor, friend or family member who would be a great fit for our school. Invite them to our Open House from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 31, to meet the principal and teachers and learn what our wonderful school has to offer. Please share the flyer emailed last week on your Facebook, Twitter or Instagram feed. Or you can email it directly to anyone you know looking for a school for next year.

### First-Ever CSW Facebook Door Decorating Contest

A hallmark of Catholic Schools Week in many schools is the door decorating contest. We know that the creative students and teachers of St. Eugene will come up with some amazing designs that celebrate Catholic education. Beginning Jan. 31, we encourage you to go to the St. Eugene Church and School Facebook page as well as the St. Eugene PTO Facebook page to see pictures of each homeroom or middle school house door design. Please share the pictures with friends and family while inviting them to "like" and share them as well. If we can reach a total of 5,000 likes (for all of the pictures combined), the entire school will receive a Free Dress Day on Feb. 8. And, by reaching 5,000 likes, the students of St. Eugene will get to style and color Mr. Luetkemeyer's hair!

## Challenge Pajamas and Prayer Sleepover Planned

Are you PUZZLED? Join Challenge to get UNTANGLED at Pajamas and Prayer! It happens from 5 p.m., Friday, Feb. 5 through 11:30 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 6, in the school library. Wear your PJs and bring sleeping bags for a sleepover! Cost is \$25. Please RSVP by Feb. 2 to [aliciaforth@sbcglobal.net](mailto:aliciaforth@sbcglobal.net).

## Ready? Set? Go! Track Forms Online, in School Office

Track forms are available in the school office or on the school website for the 2016 track season. Stay tuned for more details about the new school meet and changes made to Catholic Grade School Athletic Association track meet.

## Free Dress Day Clothing Versus Spirit Day Clothing

A few questions have risen lately regarding Spirit Day attire and Free Dress Day attire. As a friendly reminder, Spirit Day is a day in which blue jeans are allowed with a St. Eugene spirit shirt. Blue jeans should be without holes and not overly tight or baggy. Other colored jeans, shorts, warm-up pants, leggings or cargo pants are not allowed. Conversely, on Free Dress Days, students may wear different styles of jeans (although they should still be without holes and not overly tight or baggy), as well as cargo pants. Leggings and jeggings may only be worn with a dress, skirt or tunic-style shirt that is no shorter than two inches above the knee. Yoga pants are not allowed on either Spirit Day or Free Dress Day.

## Choir and Mass Schedule for Next Three Months

Mrs. Mogilka is planning the following rehearsals with choir, as well as the Masses they will serve in:

Jan. 27 -- St. Michael, Mass on Jan. 28

Feb. 3 -- St. Vitus and St. Francis, Mass on Feb. 4 and 9:30 a.m. Mass on Feb. 7

Feb 10 -- St. Francis and St. Michael, Mass on Feb. 11

Feb. 17 -- St. Michael and St. Vitus, Mass on Feb. 18

Feb. 24 -- St. Vitus and St. Francis, Mass on Feb. 25

March 2 -- St. Francis and St. Michael, Mass on the March 3

March 9 -- St. Michael and St. Vitus, Mass on the March 10

## Catholic Schools Week Filled with Fun Activities

"Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service." These words are the theme for National Catholic Schools week, celebrated Jan. 31 through Feb. 5. This is the time each year when we celebrate what makes Catholic education distinctive and exceptional. This is a week of celebration and we have many activities planned. A full schedule will be sent home soon, but here are some dates to put on your calendar:

**Saturday, Jan. 30 and Sunday, Jan. 31:** All students are asked to attend the weekend Masses in their dress uniform. St. Eugene students have been working very hard preparing for these Masses.

**Sunday, Jan. 31** – CSSE Open House from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**Monday, Feb. 1** – Volunteer coffee and treats after morning assembly

**Tuesday, Feb. 2** – We will kick off Catholic Schools Week by wearing "silly socks and shades." Parents can come and eat lunch with their child.

**Wednesday, Feb. 3** – It's Holy Heroes Day! Students may dress as their favorite saint or bible character.

**Thursday, Feb. 4** – All parents are encouraged to attend 8:15 a.m. Mass with their child. CSSE Alumni of the Year will be recognized.

**Friday, Feb. 5** – House Dodgeball Tournament at 2:15 p.m.

## Experience Your Best Lent Ever and Rediscover Jesus

At Christmas, each St. Eugene family received a copy of Matthew Kelly's new book, Rediscover Jesus. There are two ways to read this book. The first is like with any book – cover to cover. The other way is to use it as a guide to a 40-day spiritual journey, reading one chapter per day. The second way is a perfect way to experience the 40 days of Lent. This year, the free Best Lent Ever email program is based on Rediscover Jesus. Sign up for this free program at [DynamicCatholic.com/BestLentEver](http://DynamicCatholic.com/BestLentEver). You'll receive daily emails with short videos from Matthew Kelly and a member of his team who will guide you through the 40 chapters in Rediscover Jesus. You'll discover simple ways to bring Jesus into your everyday lives, leading to a more personal relationship with Jesus and your best Lent ever.

## Enjoy Lunch with Your Child for Catholic Schools Week

On Tuesday, Feb. 2, parents are invited to come and eat lunch with their child. Please make reservations with Tina Hackett at [thackett@steugeneschool.org](mailto:thackett@steugeneschool.org) by Monday, Jan. 25. Please indicate what lunch you will be attending. Only hot lunches and sack lunches will be served on that day. Parents may pay in advance or bring their money on the day of lunch.

## Challenge Club to Meet Again on Sunday

Challenge Club will meet from 6:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m., Sunday in Ross Hall. Challenge Club is a youth ministry for girls in fifth through eighth grades.

## Email Addresses Needed to Finalize Gala Statements

If you purchased items at last fall's gala and auction and have not provided your email address for your tax statement, please send your email address to [steugenegala2015@gmail.com](mailto:steugenegala2015@gmail.com).

## Celebrate Our Talented Students at Fine Arts Night

Get that sweet tooth ready and join us for our annual Fine Arts Night at 6 p.m. next Friday in Ross Hall. We'll have desserts and coffee for sale to satisfy that sweet tooth during the fabulous performances. Enjoy a great night of talent, homemade treats and fabulous art. All proceeds support our Fine Arts Program.

## Spots Still Remain for Popular Gala Sign-Up Parties

We're still raising money for our school and parish gala. Leave a check and note with your child's name in the school office.

### Get Your Message on the Marquee

One week per month/\$100 per month/10 months available  
The school marquee on Hefner is yours for one week, in the month you specify. Display birthday wishes, congratulations or any other appropriate message during the week you select.

### Thunder Playoff Watch Party with Fr. De Loera

Date in April 2016 (to be determined)/\$65 per person  
Watch a 2016 first round Thunder playoff game in style at one of the nation's coolest home theatre stores! Enjoy the game on a 150-inch Super HDTV Digital Theater valued at over \$175,000. The night includes wine, beer and food. Adults only please.

### Backyard Family Movie Night at the Lee's

May 21, 2016/\$125 per family/20 families  
Bring your blankets and lawn chairs! Families will enjoy food, drinks, sweets, and an all-around good time watching a family-friendly movie.

**Theme for the School Year: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."**