

Hark! the Herald



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For the Week of February 25th 2011

Where the truth of Catholic teaching takes flesh in young lives



St. David (March 1st)

DATES AND EVENTS TO REMEMBER

FUNDRAISING

Giant Bonus Cards

Please remember to take some time to sign-up for the Giant Bonus Bucks program. Thank you to those who have already chosen Angelus Academy as their designated school. We currently have 35 families enrolled at this point. The program ends March 24.

Register online at www.giantfood.com/plus. The school number for Angelus Academy is 03827.

NEWS AND EVENTS

News and Events

Mass is held at Angelus Academy each **Wednesday at 10:20 am**. All are invited and welcome to attend.

March

- 1st – 8th Grade NAEP Test
- 2nd – Men’s Sodality 7:30 p.m. (American Legion Hall)
- 9th – Ash Wednesday (Beginning of Lent - *Fasting*)
- 11th – Angelus Academy Spelling Bee (10:30 a.m.)
- 11th – Stations of the Cross (11:00 a.m.)
- 11th – End of 3rd Quarter - *Early Dismissal* (12:05 p.m.)
- 18th – St. Joseph’s Day - *Early Dismissal* (12:05 p.m.)
- 18th – Breakfast with Dad (at St. Raymond’s)

April

- 14th – **Annual Angelus Academy Golf Classic!!!**
Pleasant Valley Golf Club, Chantilly, VA

REMINDER: Eighth graders applying for high school admission, please request transcripts and recommendations at least one week in advance of the date due.

FIELD TRIPS

For additional information on field trips, please contact Mrs. Shlesinger.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Men’s Sodality

All are invited to attend the saint Thomas More Men’s Sodality for friends of Angelus Academy. The meeting will take place Wednesday 2 March at 7:30 at the American Legion Hall. The topic will be Preparing for Lent, Facilitated by Vince Drouillard.

PATIENCE AND SELF-DISCIPLINE

Galatians 5:22 “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control”.

James 5:10 “As an example of suffering and patience, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord”

Teachers and Staff

Please send your weekly “*Hark! The Herald*” content to office@angelusacademy.com by the close of business on Wednesdays.

Thank you in advance.



Don't miss out on all the fun!
Register by April 1!

THE ANGELUS ACADEMY GOLF CLASSIC

When: Thursday, April 14th at 1:00 p.m.
Where: Pleasant Valley Golf Club in Chantilly, Virginia

We will have a great day of golf at the beautiful Pleasant Valley Golf Club in Chantilly, VA.
Shotgun start is at 1:00 p.m.
Come as early as 11:30 a.m. to practice at the driving range and on the putting green.
The event will include a best ball golf tournament, bag lunch, dinner and awards (beginning at 6:00 p.m.)

Register yourself or your foursome online at: <http://www.golfdigestplanner.com/17997-AngelusGolfClassic/>
(Click on "REGISTER NOW")

Register yourself (we will match you with other golfers), or register your foursome for this fun and worthwhile event.

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE & AWARD PRIZES ARE APPRECIATED

Register for the dinner only - \$30 for non-golfers

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF ANGELUS ACADEMY!

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"I don't know what it is about it, but I love this course!"

Romans 8:25 "But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience."

NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS

1st

Mrs. McCrumb

We had another fabulous week in first grade filled with smiles and lots of learning. We enjoyed reading Mr. McMouse, Medio Pollito, and Sylvester and the Magic Pebble. Before reading about Sylvester, we used a list of words from the story and wrote our own stories. After reading the book, we compared our stories to the author's. We read the poem, Today is Very Boring by Jack Prelutsky, and of course his day was anything BUT boring! After reading, the children then wrote poems following the same format.

We learned about the "dropping rule" in phonics—when a word ends with a silent e, drop the e before adding a vowel suffix.

In math, we practiced counting nickels and pennies and ordering events by time. The children are making a timeline of important events we have talked about in history.

In history, things are getting tense in the colonies. We wrote a letter to King George III in one last attempt to work out our problems, but that didn't work. We learned about Paul Revere and the events at Lexington and Concord. We are looking forward to celebrating Colonial Day on Thursday, March 10.

In Religion we continued talking about the miracles Jesus performed. We discussed how miracles strengthen our faith and our faith helps us believe things we do not fully understand. We enjoyed our special visit with Jesus during adoration.

The second grade class is finishing up on their water cycle in science class.

2nd

Mrs. Mullen

They will be using what they learned about the water cycle to start the new section which is about the plant cycle. We will be starting our seedlings that we will eventually be able to plant outside.

We are learning about immigration and citizenship in history, and we are still plugging along in math and phonics.

In religion we are still talking about forgiveness and what it means to us. We are delving in deeper and looking at how we need to forgive as Jesus does.

3rd

Mrs. Fantz

Third grade this week worked hard on National Spelling Bee words so that we could choose a representative. Congratulations on Jacob Hurley and Patrick Wood for being chosen as our representatives! It was a close race with several good spellers to choose from.

We completed our Early Americans unit by playing a Jeopardy review game and taking the test. Students enjoyed creating clay representations of the dwellings of the Pueblo and Mound Builders. We have also talked about the other ways that they used their environment to survive: using animal hides for clothing and shelter, using the crops they grew for food, and now we are working on a weaving project.

I introduced our next science unit on the systems of the body by teaching a song about all ten systems. Next week we will begin a more intense study of our skeleton.

In religion we have been learning about what Jesus left us: the Church, beginning with giving the keys to St. Peter.

This week in 4th grade we continue to discuss the *Ten Commandments*.

4th

Mrs. Trono

We also talked about how we can use our gifts and talents to show that we love God. This week we were blessed by having the opportunity to be with Jesus during Adoration.

In science, we talked about extreme weather conditions and what to do when there's a hurricane or a tornado.

In history, we learned about the word "monotheism" and continued to discuss the three world religions that believe in one God. We started reading a short unit on Islam and have learned their Five Pillars and compared them to our Ten Commandments.

While reading the book Treasure Island, we are intrigued with Jim Hawkins' narrative of his encounter with Ben Gunn . We wondered whether Long John Silver can be trusted or not.

In math we reviewed our naming of fractions and changing improper to whole or mixed numbers. Have a great weekend!

MS

Mrs. Hunt

This week in pre-algebra, we took a test on chapter 8.

We also started learning about the coordinate plane and equations in two variables.

In 7th grade language arts, we started a grammar lesson on punctuation and capitalization. We finished reading *Cyrano de Bergerac* and started watching the movie. We will have a test on this play next week.

In 6th grade science, we started our unit on types of energy.

In 7th grade science, we took our genetics test and began a chapter on mitosis and meiosis.

In 8th grade science, we finished our chapter on magnetism. We talked about transformers and reviewed generators and motors. We will have a test Tuesday (3/1).

ON THE COVER

An icon of Saint David (of Wales) by Aidan Hart. St. David's Feast Day is March 1st.

For more on Saint David, please visit the references at:

<http://www.americancatholic.org/Features/Saints/Saint.aspx?id=1309>

http://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=220

Angelus Academy was founded in 2000 by the **Women's Apostolate to Youth**, whose mission is to promote the spiritual well being of children and youth and to provide spiritual formation and moral support for women who are called to work in a variety of ministries dedicated to this end, whether as mothers, teachers and catechists, youth ministers, social workers or as relatives, godparents and friends. W.A.Y. recognizes that such women have their own particular spiritual needs and therefore seek to foster a helpful pattern of personal and communal spiritual practice as well as a philosophy of Christian formation that will be especially helpful in work with children and youth.

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