

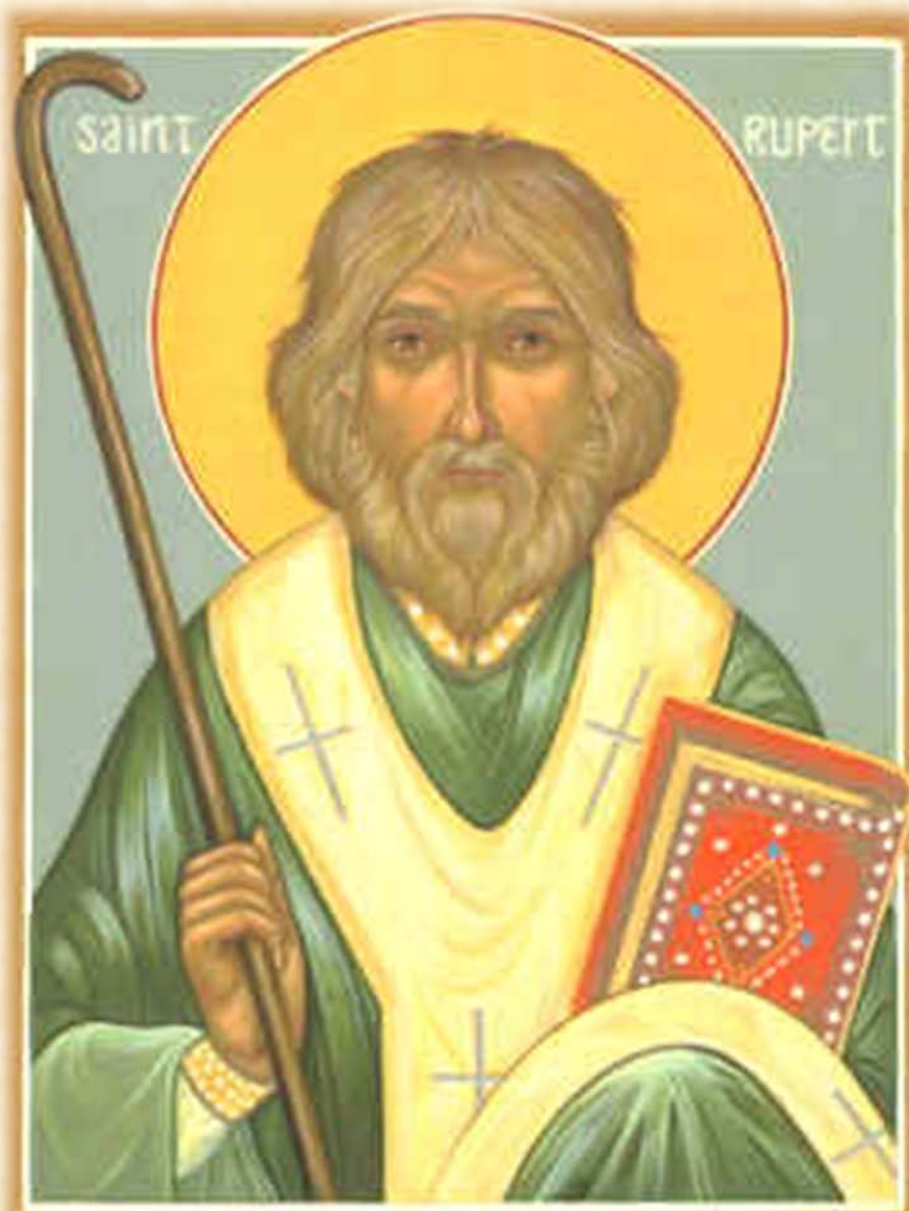
# Hark! the Herald



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*Where the truth of Catholic teaching takes flesh in young lives*



***St. Rupert (March 27<sup>th</sup>)***

# DATES AND EVENTS TO REMEMBER

## FUNDRAISING

### ANGELUS ACADEMY GOLF CLASSIC

Do not miss one of our biggest events of the year! Whether you are a golfer, simply enjoy a day outdoors with fun people or just wish to come for dinner...the Golf Classic is sure to hold something for you! Come out and join us on **April 14<sup>th</sup>** at **Pleasant Valley Golf Club**. *See details below.*

### HEROES OF GOD BOOK PROGRAM

In the Friday folder you will find a flyer for the "Heroes of God" media club. You will receive this flyer three times a year. It is an optional program for you to order Catholic books through the school, from Ignatius Press.

If you choose to order books please fill out the form and return to school with a check made to "Angelus Academy" by Monday April 4, 2011. We will place the order and books will arrive at school for pick up before the Easter holiday begins. We can also, if you choose, send the books home with one of your children.

## NEWS AND EVENTS

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

### *March*

**29<sup>th</sup>** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Field Trip (P.E. Uniform)

### *April*

**4<sup>th</sup>** – Registration for the **2011–2012** school year begins!

**6<sup>th</sup>** – Grades 3, 6, 7 and 8 – Field Trip (Dress Uniform)

**7<sup>th</sup>** - Grades 2 and 5 – Field Trip (Dress uniform)

**11<sup>th</sup>** - Registration for 2011-12 school year is due

**12<sup>th</sup>** - Grade 6 and 7 –Field Trip (Dress uniform)

**14<sup>th</sup>** – **Annual Angelus Academy Golf Classic!!!**

Pleasant Valley Golf Club, Chantilly, VA

**15<sup>th</sup>** - Grade 6, 7and 8 Field Trip (Dress uniform)

### *Stations of the Cross*

Stations of the Cross will be said every Friday during Lent. Parents and Family members are welcome to attend.

The Class schedule is as follows:

**Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grades @ 1:30 p.m.**

**3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grades @ 2:00 p.m.**

**6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades @ 2:30 p.m.**

## FIELD TRIPS

Please be sure to send your child in the correct uniform when they have a field trip. The uniform is specified for each trip. In all cases, your child should look their best when attending a field trip as they represent Angelus Academy when outside of school. When students come in the wrong uniform we do our best to find something from the used uniforms for them to wear. In the event we cannot accommodate your child with a proper uniform, we will ask you to bring a uniform to school.

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

## LENTEN SERVICE PROJECT

**Please have your child bring in non-perishable food items during Lent and place them in the boxes in the lobby. The collection will run through Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>.** The food will be donated to the **Christ House Food Pantry** in Alexandria that serves those less fortunate in our area. Due to the poverty in the southern and southwestern portions of Arlington Diocese, the Christ House Food Pantry has now expanded service to include delivery of food donations to the rural poor. They call it CHOW (Christ House on Wheels).

Thank you for helping Christ House re-supply their food pantry, which is nearly empty due to increased demands. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you for your generosity! If you have any questions, please contact **Lisa McCrumb** [lisamccrumb@verizon.net](mailto:lisamccrumb@verizon.net) or **Paula Hugo** at [paula@timhugo.com](mailto:paula@timhugo.com). Listed below are the needs of the Christ House Food Pantry.

- **canned meats (corned beef, spam)**
- **peanut butter**
- **jelly**
- **tuna**
- **canned vegetables (corn, green beans)**
- **individual fruit cups**
- **cereal**
- **pasta**
- **instant potatoes**
- **Macaroni & cheese kits**

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## SPELLING BEE

**Becky Boak** was the First Place winner of our first Angelus Academy Spelling Bee. Becky went on to represent Angelus Academy in the Regional Spelling Bee competition at Hayfield High School. Becky did a wonderful job and we are very proud of her!

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## HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

In Friday's blue folder you will find the hot lunch menu for April. You can also find the menu at [ffsf.com](http://ffsf.com) Go to menu log in. The password is angel01 (zero one). If your student will be ordering the lunches for April & May please send in the check in the amount of \$52.00, made out to Angelus Academy. (April has 4 lunches- \$20.00 & May has 8 lunches-\$32.00)

If this is the first time ordering the lunches please don't forget to circle their drink choice.

The final month for the hot lunch program for this year will be May. There will be 8 lunches in May. We will continue the program next year as long as we have continued interest.

A number of families have paid in full for the remainder of the year. If you have prepaid the full amount you need not return the form or do any additional follow up or paperwork.

You can choose to pay for each month individually but if so, please be sure to send payment for May no later than Monday, April 15 as lunches will begin again as soon as we return from Easter break. We will not be sending a payment notice for May due to the holiday break.

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## LIBRARY

It's that time of year. Spring is in the air and every year this has a big effect on the memory of the students!

Please help your child remember their library books on Thursday! All grades have library on Friday. All classes must return their library books on Thursday so I can prepare for check out the following day. If your child is absent they should return the book on the next day that they return to school.

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## RESPONSIBILITY AND HONESTY

**Psalms 56:3** "when I am afraid, I put my trust in thee"

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### Teachers and Staff

Please send your weekly "*Hark! The Herald*" content to [office@angelusacademy.com](mailto:office@angelusacademy.com) by the close of business on Wednesdays. Thank you in advance.

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**ANGELUS ACADEMY**

**From the Principal's Desk**

We are well into the third quarter and starting to look toward the 2011 - 2012

school year (I feel so old when I say the years). This means it is time to register for the coming school year. To all our parents who we realize are the primary educators of their children, I want to thank you for allowing us to provide this opportunity to assist you with your child's education. With your ongoing support of Angelus Academy, I am confident that we will continue to provide an excellent faith-based academic environment for the students.

The Angelus Academy board has made efforts to limit any increases in tuition knowing that our families already make sacrifices to attend our school. The tuition increase for the 2011 - 2012 school year will be \$250 across the board. There will be no increase for books and supplies or field trips.

At this time we are sending out the fee schedule, one application (additional forms can be downloaded from the website) and the tuition preference form. We will send home emergency, field trip and other forms with the final report cards in June. All forms will be available on the Angelus Academy website ([angelusacademy.com](http://angelusacademy.com)). Downloading forms helps to save on the cost of printing and the amount of paper we use every year.

Please return the registration fee of \$200 per student and the application by April 11th.

I look forward to seeing you next year! - *Mr. A*

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# 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

EVENT CONTACT: Sioban Nalda  
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## NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS

LM

Mrs. Tovey

This week we had the second part of the altar lesson (lectionary, sanctuary lamp, tabernacle and ciborium). In science we learned all about light. I used a flashlight to show how light travels. I read the story Millions of Cats, and we made cat puppets. We had a parade with the puppets around the school. In handwriting we learned the letter "K".

K

Mrs. Grippo

I enjoyed having the chance to meet with all of you this week. I have enjoyed watching your child grow this year and it's been a true pleasure to work with each and every one of them. Third quarter conferences are always bittersweet for me because while I enjoy telling you how much your child is grown, it reminds

me that our time together is drawing to a close. But; on to our week.

The letter "Q" and the combination "qu" were introduced this week in phonics. "Q" was also the letter of the week in handwriting. We concluded our study of George Washington in history and now moved on to our next president, Thomas Jefferson. We have been discussing the subjects Thomas Jefferson learned as a child and found that he studied many of the same things that George Washington did. We learned to play the card game "War" in math to help us learn to compare and order numbers. We also worked with a new math material, tangrams, as well as continuing to work with simple addition and subtraction problems.

The Little Seed by Eric Carle was read and discussed in science. In Language we read and discussed The Napping House by Audrey and Don Wood. In religion we continue reading and discussing the life of St.

Catherine Laboure and have been amazed by her visit from the Blessed Mother. Have a wonderful weekend!!

1st

Mrs. McCrumb

Happy Spring!! What a beautiful time of year as we see all the signs of new life! We had another fabulous week in first grade. We read Brer Rabbit and The Tale of Peter Rabbit from our Core Knowledge collection. We compared and contrasted the two rabbits using a Venn Diagram. We also read more stories by Beatrix Potter including The Tale of Benjamin Bunny and The Tale of Squirrel Nutkin. We talked about things we see, hear, taste, and smell in the spring and the children wrote poems about it.

In math, we learned strategies for adding 3 single-digit numbers. The children noticed they can add the numbers in any order and get the same answer.

In religion we continue to focus on Lent. We talked about Mary and how she is a mother to all of us. We discussed the many reasons she is a beautiful example to all of us.

We continue to explore the three states of matter in science. We observed how some solids can change to liquids and liquids to solid. We also saw how mixing some solids and liquids creates a gas. If you push a paper towel into the bottom of a cup and then push the cup straight down into a pitcher of water, do you think the paper towel will stay dry? Can raisins “dance.” Ask your child the answers to these questions. We enjoyed making ice-cream, play-dough, and oobleck. And what would all this be without a visit from Mrs. Frizzle?? Enjoy your week-end.

2nd

Mrs. Mullen

We are seeing some incredible growth in our plants this week. We noticed that they always turn toward the sun for their needs. We also noticed that if we don't care for them, they wilt. We turned that thought into our prayer lives. If we don't turn to God for all our needs and let him care for us, we will wilt spiritually. If we continue to nurture our faith, we will grow strong and healthy and produce good works.

We took a test on our history of immigration and citizenship. We are now turning our attention to other countries. Since there are many things happening in

Japan right now, we will skip to modern Japan and work our way through their culture.

3rd

Mrs. Fantz

Fourth quarter is off to a good start. We are covering our science unit on the human body by starting our look at the muscular system. We are learning about voluntary and involuntary muscles, as well as how muscles work in pairs. In history, I have expanded our unit on the Spanish Explorers to look at the missions along the California coast which were founded by Blessed Junipero Serra. We also have talked about all of the cities in our country that started off as missions: St. Augustine, San Antonio TX, San Francisco, San Diego, Los Angeles, Sacramento, and had the students recognize the Catholic names of those cities. We are also enjoying the story of Misty of Chincoteague.

We are working hard on Adopt-a-Country. In religion we are learning about the Communion of Saints: the Church Militant, the Church Suffering and the Church Triumphant. We enjoyed a creative writing opportunity based on a Canadian folktale about preserving friendships and the importance of community. The students also wrote mad libs to practice recognizing parts of speech especially adjectives.

MS

Mrs. Hunt

This week in pre-algebra, we learned about using symmetry to find area, finding the volumes of prisms, cylinders, pyramids, and cones, and finding the surface areas of prisms and cylinders.

In 7th grade language arts, we learned about the run-on sentence and how to combine sentences. We continued reading The Hiding Place. We are also working on a short play about the life of John Paul II to be performed on May 2.

In 6th grade science, we learned about wind energy and worked on finishing up our unit on types of energy.

In 7th grade science, we took a test on mitosis, meiosis, cell structure, DNA synthesis, transcription, and translation. We also started a new chapter on inheritance in humans and human genetic disorders.

In 8th grade science, we learned about sound quality, the applications of sound, and how you hear.

**Mr. Hoenscheid**

**Social Studies:** We completed our Chapter 22 on Civil Rights with each student preparing and presenting a biography on a noted person from that movement. Students also successfully completed an 'open book' final on that Chapter. We have now moved into Chapter 23 and the Vietnam Era.

**Modern Languages and Cultures:** We have completed our studies on names of days, months, and seasons in Spanish. In our monthly trip around the world, we made a special visit to Ireland to learn about St Patrick, Irish history and folklore. We have also learned a few words in Gaelic, and, last but not least, the words and movements to the "Unicorn Song" by the Irish Rovers!

## THE MISSION OF ANGELUS ACADEMY

### Et Verbum caro factum est

In union with the parents, who are the primary educators of the child and in loyalty to the Magisterium of the Roman Catholic Church, Angelus Academy is committed to transmitting the rich and time-tested traditions of Catholic faith and culture in a familial atmosphere characterized by mutual respect and generosity of spirit. Commending ourselves to the patronage and prayers of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Incarnate Love and St. Gabriel, Angel of the Incarnation, we invoke the guidance of the Holy Spirit

as we seek to cultivate in every child:

- ❖ a foundation for personal integrity and moral courage by encouraging personal prayer and devotion to Christ, to His sacraments and to His saints as winsome and compelling embodiments of Christian virtue;
- ❖ a reverence for the sanctity of human life, regard for the dignity of every person and loyalty to the family, expressed in obedience to competent authority, empathy and respect for one's fellows, and compassion for all who suffer;
- ❖ a taste for excellence and a love for what is lasting and authentically beautiful in all aspects of human culture as the basis for the wholesome development of the creative imagination;
- ❖ a broad and rigorous intellectual formation through the training of the faculty of reason and a disciplined quest for the truth in every area of life.

To these ends Angelus Academy employs teachers who recognize that no testimony is more eloquent or convincing than personal witness and are therefore committed to their own ongoing intellectual and spiritual formation.

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.

<http://womensapostolatetoyouth.blogspot.com/>

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