



Catholic Schools Week

Submitted photos



Assumption Catholic School:

Above: From left, Bernice Baucom, Ava Kangas, Jeffery Maxwell, Sam Bottoms, and Lauren Theien work in class.

Right: Deacon Jacob Toma visiting with the Kindergarten class.



Queen of Peace Catholic School:

Left: Father Nicholas Nelson talks to students during an Epiphany talk blessing.

Below: Dr. Thom Nelson, Mary Kruse, Amelia Harris, Alan Bennet stand near the school bus.



St Thomas Catholic School:

Right: Students Thomas Shelton, Colin Krasaway, Josey MacLean, Scarlett Boyum, Fin Lessard, Jude Oustad, Amalia Swenson, Jack Pastor, Colton Achtermann, and Stephenie Grover in class at St. Thomas School.

Below: Every Pastor, Sophia Briggs, Ricky Davis, Roman Oustad, Whitney Frinch, Losie Lemieux, Louie Swenson, Wren Swenson, Stephenie Grover, Zach Anderson, Allen Morgan, and Jack Pastor show off saint costumes at St. Thomas in International Falls.



Marquette Catholic School:

Left: Arie Bialke

Below: From left, Vera Muck, Aubrey Anderson, Taylor Heisel, Annika Waldorf, Ayden Scharber, Patrick Gramm, Ben Simetkosky, and Oliver Axelson pose on the slide.



The principals in the diocese were asked to share what they are particularly proud of this year, what they would like to celebrate. Below are some of the blessings that can found in our Catholic Schools!



- ~ We love our pastor, retired priest, and our deacons! They work with the children to help them grow and provide a great example of what it means to be faithful and joyful. ~
- ~ We have dedicated teachers and staff that truly believe in our mission. ~
- ~ We have strong family support and commitment to Catholic education. ~
- ~ We are involved and participate in various service projects in the local area, including the local senior center, hospital, nursing homes, women's shelter, church, etc. ~
- ~ We significantly increased enrollment and added to our academic program! ~
- ~ I am so proud of our students and staff for the ways in which they have engaged in prayer this year. Our teachers and staff are sharing their faith! Our students are becoming more comfortable asking for prayers and praying for each other. It is so beautiful! ~
- ~ What a blessing it is to personally greet every student each morning as they walk into the school building. ~
- ~ God is so good to us, and we praise him for the mighty ways in which he has made everything possible! ~
- ~ Through the Cross Catholic's Boxes of Joy program, not only were we supporting the spread of the Catholic faith, we collected and donated more boxes than in previous years! ~
- ~ Our parent volunteers in the school! ~
- ~ The opening of a new high school! ~
- ~ I am continuously amazed at the faculty and staff that pour their hearts and souls into our mission. ~
- ~ We are so blessed to have religious sisters and priests so supportive of our mission and present in our daily schedules. ~
- ~ The dedication and creativity of our teacher teams to reach students interest and needs – they are selfless and highly effective! ~
- ~ The volume, excitement, and energy of our students singing the Alleluia at Mass (and songs and prayers they know). It is remarkable! ~
- ~ Students waiting until their table group is seated and then praying together in the cafeteria. ~
- ~ Our VERY talented and dedicated specialists in physical education, music, library, STEM, computer, and art. They daily enrich the lives of our students with their interactive lessons that stretch the thinking of our kids! ~



St. Francis Catholic School:

Left: Servers Max Wehseler (left), Nolan Kalthoff, and Ashten Weber pose with Father Scott Padmos.

Below: Cassara Tideman teaches students at St. Francis of the Lakes in Brainerd.



Stella Maris - St James Campus

Above: Kindergarten and first and second grade students dress up in saint costumes for All Saints Day at Stella Maris Academy, St. James Campus, in Duluth.

Left: Servers Charlie Eklund (left), William Jennings, Colton Anderson, Colleen Flaig, Audrey Smiley, and Gabby Salo pose with Father Richard Kunst.



Stella Maris:

Above Left: Clare McShane studies at Stella Maris Academy.

Above Right: Ashton Enroth, Michael Martin, and Cordelia Kochmann work on computers at Stella Maris Academy in Duluth.

Right: Arlo Bedogne rakes leaves at Stella Maris Academy in Duluth.

Below: Students Jasper Nimens, Brooks Anderson, Sydney Freeman, and Avery Curtic of Stella Maris Academy, outside the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Rosary.



St. Joseph Catholic School:

Above: Lori Langergren poses with student Evelyn Varberg at St. Joseph in Grand Rapids.

Right: Garren Schlicht

