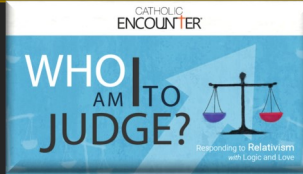




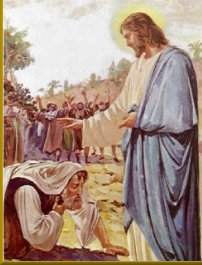
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No one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.



There are many messages in today's Gospel: the power of God to heal, the compassion of Jesus for those in need, the fact that a despised foreigner (the Samaritan) is the only one who recognizes what has been done, the role of faith and the importance of thanking God for gifts received. But because this Gospel is twinned with part of the story of Naaman the leper, the idea that the Church brings out most clearly is that of thanksgiving, or acknowledging what has been given to us. From an early age we are taught to say Thank You to recognize that someone has gone out of their way to give us something or do something for us. Our thanks strengthens the relationship that binds us together, and it is the same with God. As we recognize the good things that come from God, so our faith is deepened and the bond of the Covenant in Christ Jesus is strengthened.

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Confirmation I students are preparing their Saint's Report. The name they choose is the name they will take when they are Confirmed in the Holy Spirit. It is the Saint who they will take on as a role model and mentor. Saints can be found on the web in many ways: by vocation, by hobbies, etc... If you want to find out which Saint you are most like, take a look at this website and take the test. You will be amazed to find out who you are already connected to!



Saint Report are due by November 3rd to the DRE, please be sure to use the guide in your folders for more information!

Fr. Alan's Assembly

Father's three winners for his weekly give-a-way are: Margaret, Alannah & Alexis. Enjoy your Stewarts ice cream!

Grade K & 1 talked about the Good Shepherd and played "The Lost Sheep" with each other. Grade 2 are learning the Act of Contrition and the value of Reconciliation. Grade 3 talked about the 7 days of creation, they made a booklet about life, earth, seas, starts, Adam & Eve and the day of rest. Grade 4, 5&6 learned the story of Jonah and the whale and found that God needed Jonah! Our 7th grade class are making rosary's for our First Communion students. They also learned how to tie the proper knots for the rosary's. 8th grade found out the scientist and teachers don't always tell us the truth! Theories still need to be proven and the only true truth is Jesus! CI are working in the CCC and studying the Order of the Mass. In CII, they are learning what being Confirmed means as you are a follower of Christ and a disciple of the Lord!

We would like to thank our regular anonymous donor who brought in drinks for our children. We are grateful that you continue to support our program and keep our students tummies full!

** There is no Religious Education this week as we take a break for Columbus Day holiday. We will see you next week! God Bless!

"THE SECRET OF A VOCATION"

"For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice." Will you let the Holy Spirit lead you beyond your fearful hesitation to follow Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Talk to Fr. Alan at 518-643-6759 or Fr. Doug Lucia at (315) 386-2543/ dlucia@rcdony.org or Cathy Russell, the Diocesan Vocation Coordinator at (315)393-2920, ext. 1450/crussell@rcdony.org. See us also on Facebook or at www.myvocation.net.

Creating a Culture of Vocation

"IF PRAYING ALIENATED YOU, took you away from your real life, beware: it would not be true prayer," Pope Benedict XVI said. "On the contrary, dialogue with God is the guarantee of truth, of truthfulness with oneself and with others and, therefore, of liberty." How is my prayer life?