

Diocese of Scranton

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SCHOOL SYSTEM

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*The Diocese of Scranton is committed to educating our students in an environment that is academically excellent and facilitates the development of moral judgment and Christian decision-making. We are proud to share the following successes of our students in the classroom and in their service to others. Each day, our schools are fulfilling their mission of preparing today's youth and young adults to become tomorrow's faith-filled leaders.*



“We live out our faith by how we serve one another.” That was the message from the Most Rev. Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton, to the students, faculty and community of **Our Lady of Peace School in Clarks Green** and **Saint Clare/Saint Paul School in Scranton** at recent school Masses. The Bishop shared that during his summer trip to Ghana, he was touched by how the school children simplified Jesus’ teaching that God loves everyone and we return God’s love by being kind and respectful to our neighbors.



Students at **Saint Agnes School in Towanda** dressed like their favorite saints.



Mr. Joe Bayley, the maintenance man at **Saint Jude School in Mountain Top**, spoke with the pre-Kindergarten classes about tools and simple machines, as they learn about doing God’s work. In this photo, he helps student Sharon Atwal use a wrench to tighten a bolt.

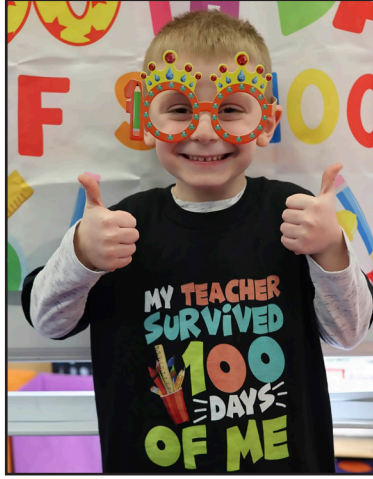


Mrs. Ondish, the third grade teacher at **Holy Family Academy in Hazleton**, welcomed students to school dressed as Cat in the Hat during “Read Across America Week.”





The sixth grade class at **Saint John Neumann Elementary School in Williamsport** celebrated Black History Month by decorating their door for Frederick Douglass' birthday and showing how he impacted America.



Gio Hadlock, a Kindergarten student at **Saint Mary of Mount Carmel School in Dunmore**, celebrates the 100th Day of School.



Dominique Bridgeforth, a senior at **Notre Dame Jr./Sr. High School in East Stroudsburg**, distributes ashes to seventh grader Andrew Ahnert during the school's Ash Wednesday liturgy.



Mrs. Chase shared a story with the students from pre-K to second grade during the school's "Read Across America" celebration at **All Saints Academy in Scranton**.



**Holy Rosary School in Duryea** held its traditional "Bury the Alleluia" ceremony as they began their Lenten season of sacrifice.



Students from **Holy Cross High School in Dunmore** spent their Valentine's Day offering LOVE through acts of service this year. The student body created "Bags of Love," including a sandwich, drink and fruit, which were donated to Saint Francis of Assisi Kitchen in Scranton.



Kindergarten and pre-K students at **Epiphany School in Sayre** celebrated "Read Across America Week" with a Bookapalooza and picnic. As an extra surprise, their sixth grade buddies dressed as Dr. Seuss characters.

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As part of the STREAM Initiative, the eighth grade class at **Good Shepherd Academy in Kingston** chose kindergarten "Reading Buddies." The "buddies" chose to read and discuss the Science of "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" and discussed listening skills, accurate recording, critical analysis, and drawing conclusions.

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The Kindergarten class at **Notre Dame Elementary School in East Stroudsburg** crafted special crowns to wear to celebrate the 100th day of school.



Advanced Placement (AP) Biology students from **Holy Redeemer High School in Wilkes-Barre** perform hands-on science experiments as they embrace the scientific method learning process.



The first grade class at **Saint John Neumann Elementary School in Williamsport** celebrated “Read Across America Week” by doing classroom reading activities and pairing up to read to one another.



Mary Goffredo, a second grade student at **Wyoming Area Catholic School in Exeter**, won the school’s February “Caught Being Good” basket with a gift card to Barnes & Noble. Throughout the month, students who are kind and caught being good receive a ‘smile ticket’ and a chance to win each month’s themed basket.

## ***Mueller Family McDonald’s donate \$11,500 to the Diocese of Scranton Scholarship Foundation***



SCRANTON – Christina Mueller of the Mueller Family McDonald’s presented a \$11,500 check to the Diocese of Scranton Scholarship Foundation on March 2, 2023.

The donation was a result of the sixth annual Fry Fundraiser that kicked off National Catholic Schools Week Jan. 29 and ended Feb. 19, 2023. All nineteen Mueller Family McDonald’s participated by donating a portion of every large order of french fries sold during that period.

“We are so happy to be able to partner with the Diocese of Scranton to provide scholarship money for Catholic schools. We couldn’t be happier to be participating. We really enjoyed all of the Activity Nights and the engagement of our restaurants with the schools,” Christina Mueller said.

The Diocese of Scranton Scholarship Foundation helps students in our 19 schools experience a Catholic education and achieve their God-given potential in an academically excellent, safe, and spiritual environment.

Present at the check presentation were, from left, Kristen Donohue, Diocesan Secretary of Catholic Education/ Superintendent; Christina Mueller, Mueller Family McDonald’s; and the Most Rev. Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton.