



March, 2025 St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Preschool

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Your monthly guide to the preschool information and events.

There are only 11 weeks left in the 2024-2025 school year. It has been a wonderful year and the staff at St. Catherine's Preschool feels incredibly blessed that we have been able to have such amazing families in our preschool family,

Our tenth annual Super Hero Shuffle is planned for Saturday, March 29th in our Parish Hall. This event is our largest fundraiser to help support tuition assistance for our families, beautification to our grounds and classroom resources. The Super Hero Shuffle is a family fun event. The morning begins with a fun workout, lots of great music and walking/running the track as many times as you can. Everyone dresses as their favorite Super Hero! There will be prizes for the best costumes in many categories. When you sign up you will receive a cool t-shirt, goodie bag and tons of family fun. Let's make this an event to remember!

Part of our Super Hero Shuffle are the over-the-top stupendous raffle baskets. This year, our fantastic room moms were the leaders in putting these baskets together. The overall theme for the baskets is "10 things I love about....." in honor of the tenth year of our Super Hero Shuffle. Each class had a specific theme, and they came together and created some of the most creative and wonderful baskets. We will be selling tickets at the first Fish Fry on March 7th and before and after Masses on March 8th and 9th and March 15th and 16th. We also have a picture brochure for you to use to support and buy tickets. We will pick the winners at the Super Hero Shuffle on Saturday, March 29th. Thank you in advance for your support and love.

We have so many exciting events planned for the remainder of the school year. A letter will go out shortly giving you all the future event dates. Please mark your calendars for all of these fun times.

I again want to thank each one of you for being so strong in support of our preschool. I pray for special blessings on our preschool and our families as we finish up this school year together. As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Blessings,

Director

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MARCH

"Prayer"

Religious Theme

"Forgiveness"

Religious Thought

"Forgiveness is a gift"

Church Words

The Garden

Faith Words

The Stations of the Cross

Holy Hero (Saint)

St. Patrick - March 17th

St. Joseph- March 19th

Monthly Prayer

Pray the Stations of the Cross

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Forgiveness

The story of Jacob

3's Virtue

Forgiveness- "I say I am Sorry"

K-4's and 5's Commandment # 7

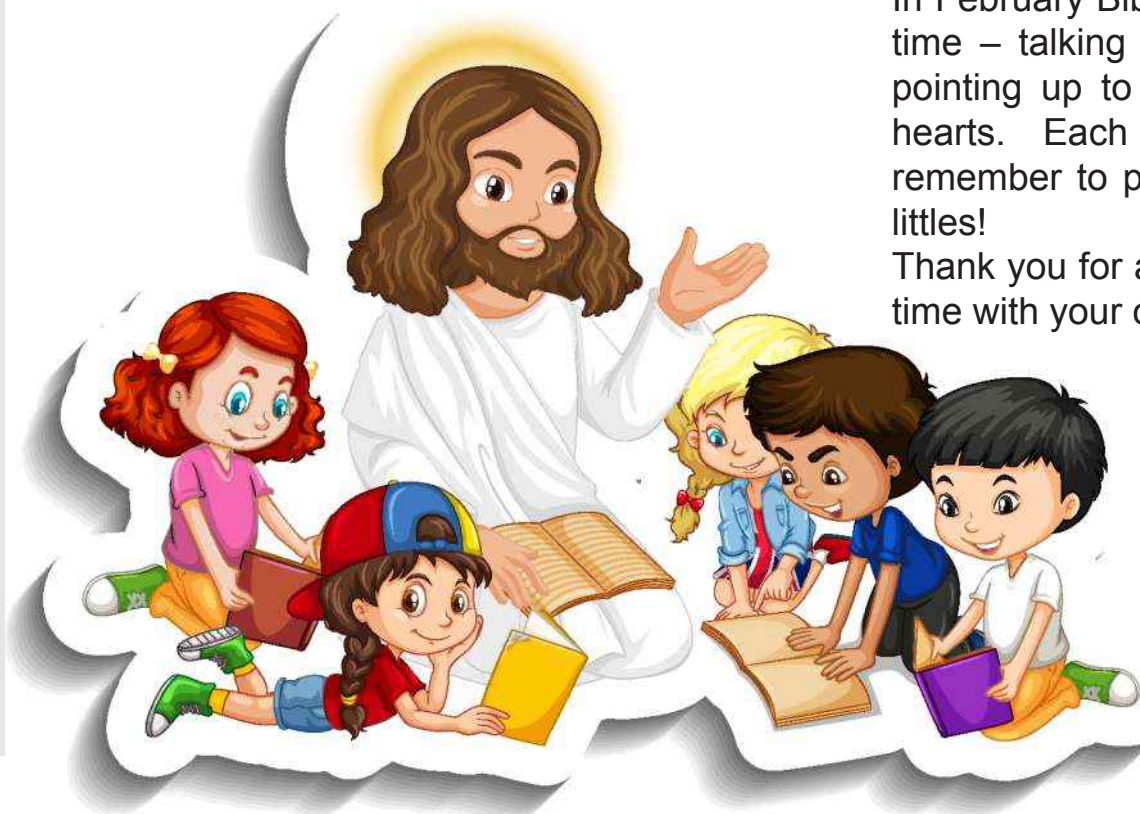
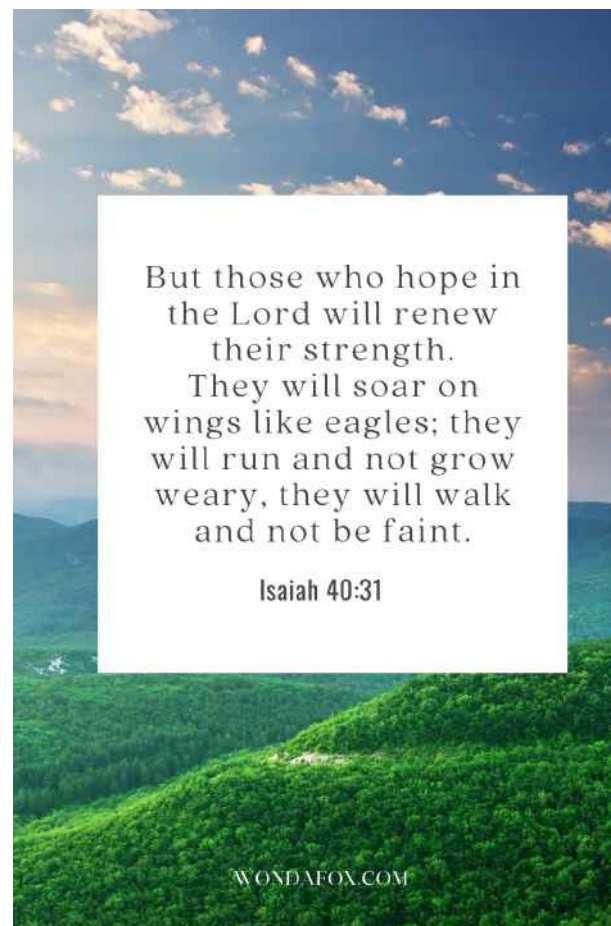
Commandment #7: You Shall Not Sorry

K-4's and 5's Monthly Seeds of Faith

S- Seek you the Lord while he may be found

T- The lord sees me

U- Untoyou, O God, do we give thanks.



Dear Parents,

Happy Lent to all. During this beautiful season, we teach the children daily about how much Jesus loves us. We encourage them to have their hearts filled with the love of Jesus and act as He would in kindness and love for all. As we travel through this season of renewal, the children can earn Purple Giving Crosses. At home or at school, if a child shows an act of kindness, they earn a Purple Giving Cross. There is a large, white cross in the preschool hallway. Our goal is to turn the white cross PURPLE with all the children's Purple Giving Crosses. The children can earn the Purple Giving Crosses beginning on March 5th – Ash Wednesday through April 16th. We sent a letter home explaining this activity. If you need more Purple Giving Crosses, let your child's teacher know.

In class, the children will learn the journey of Jesus to the cross and why He did this for us. Each class has a Crown of Thorns with forty toothpicks. Each day, the class will remove one toothpick and discuss this special journey. This amazing story of Jesus is also told with beautiful pictures of the Stations of the Cross, visiting the Stations in the Garden and Church and Resurrection Eggs. It is a privilege to share this story with your children.

We will celebrate our Holy Heroes – St. Patrick and St. Joseph in March also. A special story of the "Fava Bean" in honor of St. Patrick will be sent home with the children. We will have a St. Joseph table set up in the library that will have many symbols and items about Jesus' earthly Father – St. Joseph.

In February Bible time, the children learned about the importance of prayer time – talking with Jesus at any time. They are learning prayer hands, pointing up to heaven, next to their hearts because Jesus lives in their hearts. Each child received a very special "Prayer Rock" to help them remember to pray every morning and night. God LOVES to talk with our littles!

Thank you for allowing St. Catherine's Preschool to share this very blessed time with your children.

Blessings,

Karen Pickens
Director

UPCOMING BIBLE CLASSES

March 24-28

HUGE THANK YOU!!!

St. Catherine Preschool teachers and staff want to thank the amazing Teacher Appreciation Committee (T.A.C.) for gifting us each month with a delicious lunch during our staff meetings. This amazing group has given us a warm and loving lunch while we meet to work on so many things that make our preschool the best. It warmed our hearts to know how much we are loved. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Spring Fling is right around the corner. This great family fun morning is set for Monday, April 28th with a rain date of Monday, May 5th. Please mark your calendars with this date and plan to come watch your little ones have a ton of fun! More information will follow.

SUPER HERO SHUFFLE!

Our 10th annual Super Hero Shuffle is set for Saturday, March 29th. As we did last year, we will be hosting this event in our Parish Hall. Our Super Hero Shuffle baskets are coming together beautifully. This fundraiser is the largest event for our preschool. If you would like to be a corporate sponsor for this event, please give the preschool office a call. Registration forms for families were sent out a few weeks ago. Thank you in advance for your support of our preschool.



SAVE THE DATE!
MARCH 29





ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CATHOLIC CHURCH

FISH FRY

FRIDAYS
from
March 7 - April 11
5PM - 7PM

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\$7 Child
(FREE for age 6 & under)
\$45 Family max

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- balloon artists
- face painting
- raffles
- music
- dancing

...AND MORE!

ST. CATHERINE'S

WOMEN'S RETREAT

WITH THE SISTER SERVANTS OF THE ETERNAL WORD

NEW DATE! **MARCH 15, 2025**

8:30AM-3:30PM
in the Parish Hall

REGISTRATION FEE: \$25
Includes breakfast and lunch

Creating Servant Leaders

St. Catherine of Siena Catholic School integrates knowledge, faith, and service, teaching students to be servant leaders. Through projects like "Rise Against Hunger," where students from Kindergarten through 8th grade helped pack over 10,000 meals to feed the hungry, and regular community outreach, our students learn the importance of giving back and their important role as a member of the body of Christ. Kindergarten students learned about the importance of tithing in their religion lessons, and when Father Neil paid them a visit, they each brought in their own small tithe of a few coins, showing that even the smallest acts of generosity make a difference. St. Catherine of Siena Catholic School cultivates compassion and responsibility, shaping students to become the servant leaders God created them to be, setting the world ablaze with the love of Christ.





MARCH

2025



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2	3	4	11:15 am Ash Wednesday service for preschoolers only5	6	5:00pm –Fish Fry Super Hero Shuffle Raffle Baskets tickets on sale7	Super Hero Shuffle Raffle Baskets in the Narthex after each Mass8
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MARCH 17, 2025 - ST. PATRICK'S DAY

APPRECIATION

FuturePRESCHOOLERS



Publix Partners is changing their procedure. Publix is no longer issuing Publix cards. Over the years, Publix Partners has contributed more than \$30 million to over 4,500 schools in 5 states, giving back to support education. St. Catherine's Preschool is one of those schools. Please go to publix.com/partners select our school and sign your family up. Then you just enter your phone number at checkout, after signing up. Thank you for your support!



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COLDER WEATHER

Winter weather is on its way. Please remember to dress your children in a coat, gloves and hat so that we can go outside and play when the weather permits. We allow the children to go outside and enjoy when the weather is 32 degrees or above.

ALSO, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, please swap out the change of clothing for your child that we keep in the classroom for emergencies. As always, please label your child's belongings with their names. Thank you for your help!

WEATHER NEWS

Please remember that if Cobb County schools close, St. Catherine's Preschool is closed. You can check for delayed openings and closings for our preschool at the following sites:

- 11 Alive News
- Our Preschool website: www.scspreschool.org
- Our Facebook page- St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Preschool @stcatherinespreschool
- Our preschool voicemail at 770-590-0480



Help Your Child Grow and Thrive by Monitoring Their Development!

Developmental Milestones are skills such as taking a first step, smiling for the first time, and waving "bye-bye." Tracking these important milestones can help you see if your child's development is on track, or if they need extra support and intervention. Choose your child's age below to view expected developmental milestones for children of that age. You can also compare expected milestones between age groups by choosing up to three ages. Each age group lists milestones to look for in four different developmental domains. If your child's age is between checklists, use the younger checklist.





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