

Hill-Murray Catholic School's Week Celebration

Jan. 30-Feb. 3, 2012

Theme-"Justice Starts With Just Us"

Friday January 27- PowerPoint in Homeroom to preview the week

Monday January 30

- PowerPoint Prayer in Homeroom
- Donations for H2O for Life (All money collected this day counts for Middle School)

Tuesday January 31

- PowerPoint Prayer in Homeroom
- Catholic Trivia during lunches
- Donations for H2O for Life (All money collected this day counts for 9th Grade)

Wednesday February 1

- PowerPoint Prayer in Homeroom
- Catholic Trivia during lunches
- Donations for H2O for Life (All money collected this day counts for 10th Grade)

Thursday February 2

- PowerPoint Prayer in Homeroom
- Catholic Trivia during lunches
- Mass
- Donations for H2O for Life (All money collected this day counts for 11th Grade)

Friday February 3

- PowerPoint Prayer in Homeroom
- Out of uniform-dress for a justice cause or community you belong to.
- Donations for H2O for Life (All money collected this day counts for 12th Grade)
- MP Sessions on a wide range of justice issues by clergy, religious, and lay speakers.

11th and 12th Grade MP Speakers for Feb. 3

Michael Klein- Media Analysis (Staff Lounge)

Mr. Klein holds a Clinical Faculty position in Justice and Peace Studies at the University of St. Thomas. His work combines classroom teaching, campus and community education, and leadership development. His interests include social movements, art in social justice, effective and ethical leadership for social change, and the intersection of ritual and democratic practice. Mr. Klein's talk will focus on analyzing bias from various media sources.

Fr. Steve Adrian- Justice and Systems (Chapel)

Fr. Adrian has been a pastor for many years at St. Matthew's Church in St. Paul. He is a long term advocate for the poor and marginalized. Fr. Adrian will speak about Catholic principles of social justice and how to begin to address systemic changes in our society.

Sisters Bridgit and Jane McDonough CSJ – Peace and Justice (Room 028)

The McDonald sisters are both biological and religious sisters. They have been leaders in the peace movement in the Twin Cities for many years protesting war and the companies that manufacture weapons for war. They are featured in a documentary film *Four Sisters for Peace*. They will share their views on peace making and faith.

Br. Peter Sullivan OSB- Creating Art as a Spiritual Practice (Room 206)

Brother Sullivan explains how creating art expresses emotions and how it is a way to connect with others. He will do this by showing a few of his own oil paintings and describing the process of making a painting which shows your authentic self. He will also talk about way of developing the artist within you.

Br. Aelred Senna OSB- Good Relationships: Being Just with Myself and Others

(Room 205) How do I see myself in relationship to God? To others? How often do envy and jealousy get in the way of good relationships with my friends, parents, or even God? We will explore these feelings and questions in this session in order to work for peace and right relationships with those closest to us, an important step in preparing ourselves to be able to work for peace and justice in the wider community.

Kevin LaNave- Key Concepts of Justice (LMC)

Mr. LaNave was a religion teacher at Cathedral High School in St. Cloud and John XXIII Middle School for eighteen years where he coordinated faith-based service learning program. In 2003, he founded the Center for Service-Learning and Social Change, a non-profit that empowers and inspires youth and educators to be proactive agents of change in their communities and in the world. His talk will lay out key principles for living a life of social justice.

Mike Haasl-Global Solidarity (Room 129)

Mr. Haasl works with Office of Mission the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. He leads service and educational trips to many parts of the world to help others live their faith. Mr. Haasl will speak about the importance of being global citizens in our world today.

Ginger Hedstrom and Elizabeth Fairbairn-Civic Engagement and Social Change

(Room 124) Ms. Hedstrom and Ms. Fairbairn are lay women who work with the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Carondelet located at the College of St. Catherine in St. Paul. They will speak about the importance of community organizing and action in creating positive social change.

Sister Susanne Homeyer VHM-Ministry of Presence (Room 207)

Sr. Homeyer works with building community with low income people in north Minneapolis. She has worked previously as a campus minister, coffee shop manager, switch-board operator and in a nursing home. She currently serves her community as bookkeeper and field organizer. She will talk about her experience of building community and being a presence to the people in north Minneapolis.

Sister Karen Mohan VHM- Ministry of Presence (Room 123)

Sr. Mohan works with building community with low income people in north Minneapolis. She grew up in St. Louis and enjoys kayaking, swimming and riding her bike along the Mississippi River. She has an undergraduate degree in English and a graduate degree in Spirituality. She will talk about her experience of building and being a presence to the people of north Minneapolis.

Vaunae Hansel- Alternatives to Abortion (Room 215)

Mrs. Hansel is the Executive Director of LifeCare Center East, a pregnancy resource center. Vaunae has worked as an Executive Director in Pregnancy Resource Centers for the past 16 years, first in Southern California, then in the Twin Cities for the past 3 years. As Executive Director her duties include managing the day to day operations of the center, overseeing the staff and volunteers, grant writing, speaking, fundraising and acting as the liaison for the LifeCare Center East to the community.

9th and 10th Grade MP Speaker for Feb. 3

Coach Nakumbe-Compassion and Community (Grades 9, 10 in the Auditorium)

Mr. Nakumbe is an award winning speaker and internationally recognized parent and mentor coach. A native of New York, he is a survivor of child abuse, street crime and the foster care system. He has worked for 20 years with at-risk youth and is the author of: *Get Smarter Not Even-Practical Solutions for Teens and parents to Get Along!* He utilizes a variety of teaching techniques including humor and magic. Mr. Nakumbe's talk will focus on how to be people of compassion in today's world.

8th Grade MP Speakers for Feb. 3

Peer Ministers TJ Payzant and Peter Moe- Living Justice (Room 022)

Peter and TJ have participated in many community service experiences and will share their insights into how to be person of service and how to live justice in our daily lives.

Peer Ministers Grant Eicher and Katy Goerke- Pro-Life (Room 216)

Grant and Katy will discuss ways we can support and reach out to help babies and pregnant women in our community.

Br. Paul-Vincent Niebauer OSB, Justice in the Rule of St. Benedict

(Room 122) This presentation will explore how the Rule of St. Benedict deals with members of the monastic community who misbehave- various punishments that would have been given- and appropriate behavior to those monks around them. Contrasts will be made between the discipline in the Rule of Benedict and more contemporary models of discipline.

7th Grade MP Speakers for Feb. 3

Peer Ministers Sarah Schnieder and Madalynn Meyer, H2O For Life (Room 027)

Sarah and Madalynn will educate on the need for clean water in the developing world and how we can support our school's H2O For Life water project in Kenya.

Peer Ministers Jason Lambert, Kailey King, and Danica Purpur, Guatemala

(Room 209) Jason, Kailey, and Danica will share pictures, stories and justice in Guatemala.