



Weekly NEWS

October 27th, 2024

Important Dates

- Oct 27th Halloween Hullabaloo
- Nov 1 All Saints Day Mass 7pm
- Nov 24th NO PSR 1st Reconciliation

Reminders

Calling all 6-8th graders! Join us for a Jr. High Bonfire Bash!

Come hang out around a campfire with us! We will have smores, music and fun!

Sign up here

: [Gibault Catholic High School: Junior High Bonfire Bash!](#)

Want to get the full Gibault experience? Schedule a shadow visit here:

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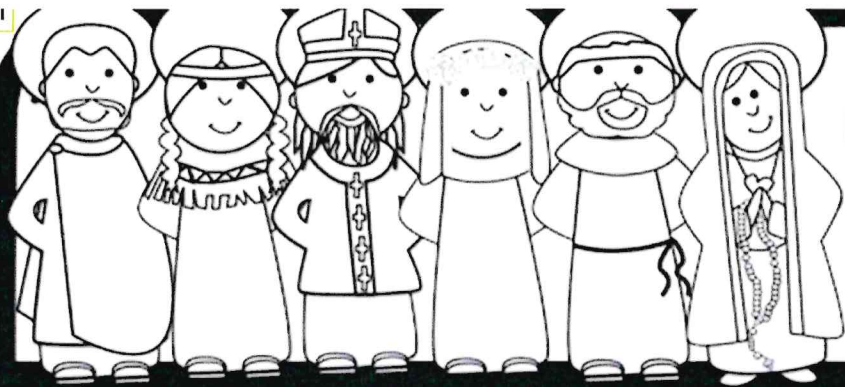
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Have questions? Reach out to Pam Kueker at 618-939-3883 or pkueker@gibaulthawks.com.

What Are We Learning?

- 1st Today we discussed Moses and the 10 Commandments. We covered the two greatest Commandments and the choices we make.
- 3rd Third grade followed the Old Testament and learned about the Tower of Babel. The people wanted to build a tall tower to reach the heavens as they thought this would make them greater than God. They weren't worshipping God but worshipping themselves.

We walked to the church and took a tour of why our church is built like it is. Why do we have stain glassed windows and what are votive candles used for. We finished with a scavenger hunt



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Faith Reflection

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Second Reading

Hebrews 5:1-6

Gospel Reading

Mark 10:46-52

When Bartimaeus calls out to Jesus, the crowd around him tries to silence him. Yet Bartimaeus persists, calling out more loudly and with greater urgency. He will not be silenced or deterred from getting Jesus' attention. We notice how quickly the crowd's reaction changes when Jesus calls for Bartimaeus. Those who sought to quiet him now encourage him. When Jesus restores Bartimaeus's sight, no elaborate action is required. (In other healing stories in Mark's Gospel, actions accompany Jesus' words). In this instance, Jesus simply says that Bartimaeus's faith has saved him. Throughout Mark's Gospel, the success of Jesus' healing power has often been correlated with the faith of the person requesting Jesus' help. For example, it is because of her faith that the woman with the hemorrhage is healed. When faith is absent, Jesus is unable to heal; we see this after his rejection in Nazareth.

Good News

Halloween Hullabaloo in the Gym
Sunday, October 27, 4-6pm
(Hayrides to follow, weather permitting)

What Are We Learning?

When You Pray: A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God

You know that prayer is important but still find it challenging. Perhaps it's hard to find time, or you're unsure what to do when you pray. Or maybe you feel discouraged by your weaknesses and your inability to overcome them.

If you have any of these feelings, you are not alone. Many of the saints struggled in prayer. They were like us. But each time they fell, they got up again and learned to rely more on God's grace. What God did in the lives of countless saints, he wants to do in the lives of ordinary people like us. And that's what this study is about: the journey of prayer God wants to take us on.

Join us for *When You Pray: A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God*, beginning **October 7th, 2024**, from **7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.** and continuing every **Monday** for **seven** weeks. For more information or to register for the study, contact **Joe Dent** at **618-210-2003** or by email at joe@dentsoft.com

