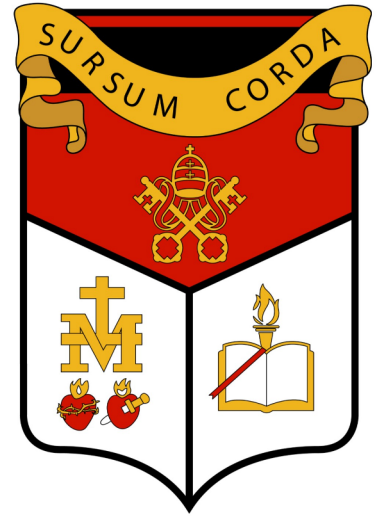


THE VIANNEY VINE

ST. JOHN VIANNEY ACADEMY



FROM THE

HEADMASTER

J.M.J.

"The pure soul is a beautiful rose, and the Three Divine Persons descend from Heaven to inhale it's fragrance."- St. John Vianney

February is here! We plan to have two celebrations; Saint Valentine's and Mardi Gras - which precede a school-wide retreat based on "My Path To Heaven: A Young Person's Guide to the Faith" by Geoffrey Bliss, S.J. My Path to Heaven.

As an educator, it is such an enjoyment to see creative spontaneity in the classroom - a mere moment in time. Everyone is "on the same page". So precious are these occasions; halting the rigor of the day becomes paramount. Full participation in harmonious expression: to perform, to laugh, to sing, to enjoy, to enunciate each God-given talent is magical. So rare a thing is this; so blessed; that when it occurs; it is a humbling experience. As an educator and observer, the creation of an environment enabling healthy self-expression is a continuous endeavor. I am privileged to witness the imaginative world of these young souls' ingenious performance. Please view a small capturing:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vk8cAouALpI>

SURSUM CORDA

February - the month of

The Holy Family



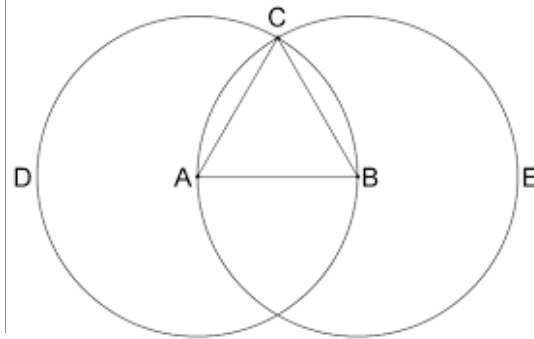
WHAT'S NEW?

First Communion: Please Contact Andrea Lopez for details.

School -Wide Lenten Retreat: Begins Ash Wednesday, details forthcoming.

High School:

Euclidean Geometry! Tuesdays from 11 am -12 pm



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Feb. 11: *Valentine Card Exchange*
2:15 pm on Campus

Feb. 16: *School Mardi Gras Party*
2:15 pm on Campus

Feb. 24th: *High School Seminar*
on Frederick Douglas 7pm

Feb. 25th: *Mardi Gras Book Discussion - At the Smith's 6-8pm*

March 16: *Saint Patrick's Day Celebration*

April 24th: *Western Shindig Spring Fundraiser*

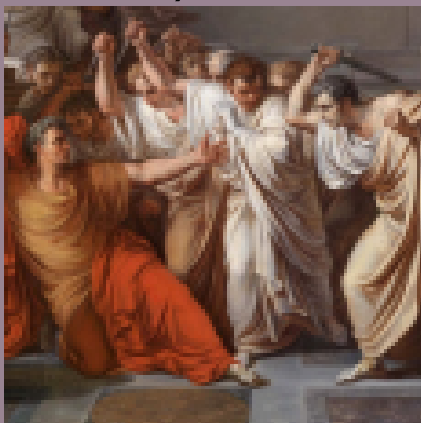
LOGICAL (5TH-8TH)

JMJ

5-8 grade is studying ancient Rome. Having just completed "Caesar's Gallic War", by Olivia Coolidge, we will begin reading about Antony in "Lives from Plutarch". So relevant and timely is the study of ancient Rome. I am enjoying our discussions and hearing the students interpretations and thoughts.

One of our science plant-growth experiments blew away in the wind, so we are still awaiting outcomes..... Our riddles of the day are hugely successful. For instance, Molly Grimm figured out: *Thirty white horses on a red hill, First they champ, Then they stamp, Then they stand still.* You will have to ask her for the answer, I am not telling.

"Et tu, Brute?"



Hey Kids! The first to report a spelling error in this newsletter gets a treat from Mrs. Grimm!

GRAMMATICAL (PRE-K THRU 4TH)



RHETORICAL (9-12TH)

High School Chemistry is moving along. Here is a picture of students in the lab, working in a highly, chemically volatile setting.



The History class has been investigating the Mexican American War and analyzing the differences between the north and south in the pre-Civil War years.



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