

# **Saint Ferdinand Connection**

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*Courage is the virtue we are continuing to focus on during November. This virtue is oftentimes admired in individuals who have the courage to face challenges in life head on. This might be accepting with **courage** the diagnosis of a serious illness, accepting the death of a loved one, or accepting the fact that our children are not perfect. The last one can be especially difficult for parents. Accepting that our child is experiencing an academic, behavioral or developmental struggle can be difficult and yet, a child who is experiencing a struggle such as these truly needs parents who are **courageous** enough to accept him/her for who he/she is. Assuming the virtue of **courage** and allowing yourself to trust in the guiding presence of the Holy Spirit can go a long way in taking on the mind and heart necessary to truly be a source of strength and support for your child.*

## **THE WEEK AHEAD:**

### **Monday, November 17, 2008:**

- Everyone is invited to the Archdiocesan celebration to honor the priests who have been made Monsignor. Father Jack will be honored at this celebration that will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis.
- Hot Lunch Entrée: Pepperoni Bosco Sticks

### **Tuesday, November 18, 2008:**

- Hot Lunch Entrée: McDonald's Cheeseburger

### **Wednesday, November 19, 2008:**

- Grades K – 6 will participate in an energy conservation program sponsored by Ameren U. E. This will be at 10:00 a.m.
- There is a School Board meeting tonight at 6:30 p.m. in the faculty room of the Main Building.
- Hot Lunch Entrée: Popcorn Chicken

### **Thursday, November 20, 2008:**

- The 8<sup>th</sup> graders will participate in their Confirmation class this afternoon 2:30 until 5:00 p.m. This will be in Duchesne hall.
- Hot Lunch Entrée: Nachos with or without Chili and Cheese

### **Friday, November 21, 2008:**

- Second quarter progress reports will be sent home today. Parents are asked to sign one copy and return this to the homeroom teacher by Wednesday, November 26.
- Hot Lunch Entrée: No Hot Lunch

## **HOT LUNCH ANNOUNCEMENT:**

- The school has made some changes to how finances are handled and this will mean that the majority of all school deposits and expenses will be handled through the

rectory. The school office is very grateful to the rectory staff for taking on these responsibilities to free our time to better serve the children. In light of this, checks for the Hot Lunch Program need to be made out to "St. Ferdinand" rather than "St. Ferdinand Hot Lunch" **with "Hot Lunch" written in the memo section of the check.** Thank you for assisting us with this important detail.

**ANNOUNCEMENT:**

- The Breakfast with Santa will be on Saturday, December 13. Anyone interested in volunteering to help with this event can contact the school office.