White Team

St. Ignatius 245 Points

Red Team St. George 245 Points

Black Team St. Catherine 305 Points

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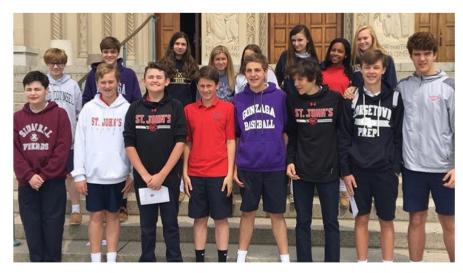
The St. Bartholomew School

Rad Religious Retreat

By Erin Stevens, Teddy Smith and Johnny Loughran

On February 28th, the 8th grade traveled to the Catholic Student Center (CSC) at the University of Maryland. On this field trip, the 8th grade took part in games, listened to a presentation, went to Mass, and much more. To begin the day, the 8th grade participated in a

number of team building games. Then, before they went to Mass, the 8th grade opened letters that family members had written to them, preparing them for Confirmation and talking about their own experiences receiving the Sacrament. After that, they



went to Mass at the Mary-turned, Mrs. R treated land chapel. The priest them to a quick snack on there greeted them and of- the way back to school. In fered the 8th grade words the end, the 8th grade had of encouragement on their a great field trip with Mrs. journey through Confirma- R, that made them more tion. After Mass ended, the 8th grade went back receive the Sacrament of to the CSC and ate lunch Confirmation. together. Before they re-

excited and prepared to

St. Bart's School Swag

By Caitlin Federowicz

In early February the school created some new school swag for students and teachers to wear. Some of the most popular swag includes: shirts, sweatpants, quarter zips, hoodies, headbands, belts, and socks. Most of these spirit raising items are allowed to be worn everyday, but some are for P.E., like the sweatpants and the shirts. The school swag is a great way for students to express their school spirit inside and outside of school.

The Hilarious and Talented By Sophia Smith, Caitlin Mrs. Herndon Federowicz, and Alexa Stevens

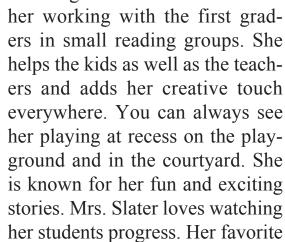
Mrs. Herndon became interested in teaching when her mom adopted a little girl with Down Syndrome, Maria. She has been teaching ever since. She was born in D.C. on August 13th, the same as her mother. She went to Boston College, but then moved back to

MD to help Mercy's inclusion program. Mrs. Herndon worked with Mr. English before she came to St Bart's. Mrs. Herndon has been married for 18 years and has 3 children: Lila, Hannah, and AJ. She also has many pets, including 3 dogs, 2 chickens, 1 hedgehog, 4 fish, and 1 bearded dragon! Her favorite part of teaching is making kids laugh (and harassing Mrs. Brown!) She also loves it when kids stop

by the resource room. Her favorite movies are Rocky 4 and Creed 2, and her favorite book is The Giving Tree. She says, "It's easier to be kind then it is to be mean. Saint Bart's has heart. I think this school is very special, [and] I feel so blessed to be part of this community."

The Creative and Kind Mrs. Slater By Alexa Stevens

Mrs. Slater is another fantastic addition to St. Bart's! Her smile and kindness are contagious. She assists with the first grade, second grade, third grade and fourth grade. You will often find



hobbies are to travel and watch her children play sports. She has three children named Grace, Jack and Luke. She also has two rescue dogs Dixie and Ruby. We are so happy to have her in our school community!



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Get Yourselves to

Bethlehem By Ashley Federowicz, Alex Zimmerman, and Zoe Brown

songs including: Get Yourself years to come! to Bethlehem, In the Christmas Pageant, All Good Gifts, Awful Things are Happening, and Ba Ba Bethlehem! Amazing scenes and props really made the whole pageant feel like you were present at the Nativity Scene. The pageant setup was the first and second grade as the angles on the right. The Color Choir on the left, and the third, fourth, and

The Christmas Pageant was fifth-grade choirs were on the one to remember! The whole altar. The sixth graders played pageant was written and di- the bells behind the piano. rected by our music teacher, This Christmas pageant could Mr. Villar. Mr. Villar even not be any better and is sure created many of his own to be remembered for many



Lenten Pretzels

By Ashley Federowicz

all the St. Bart's stu- have meat or dairy. dents can be seen "They made small rushing over to the breads of water, flour cafeteria to get their and salt, to remind Lenten Pretzels. The themselves that Lent fifth graders are con- was a time of prayer. tinuing the tradition They shaped these of selling Lenten breads in the form pretzels to raise of crossed arms for funds. The tradition in those days they of the Lenten pretzel crossed their arms began in the fourth over the breast while century B.C. Lent praying." (Catholic was and still is about Culture.org). Eating fasting, self-denial, Lenten pretzels is and prayer to help just one way we preus prepare for Eas- pare for Easter as a ter. During lent you community.

Every Wednesday, were not allowed to

Winter Wonderland Annual Ski Trip

By Caitlin McLearn

Graders could be seen zip- Although a couple people lost ping down the Liberty Ski a glove on the conveyor belt, Resort mountain on their ski it was an amazing night. The trip. This year, they stayed next day, the Eight Graders at a beautiful local house in left for the slopes very early Emmitsburg where they were in the morning. They waited only ten minutes away from patiently in line to get their the slopes. On Friday, the boots, skis, and helmets. Fi-Eighth Graders left school nally, they stepped outside early after the Black History into the cold, harsh air, grate-Month Presentations and ful that their parents made made their journey to the Get- them bundle up, and looked tysburg War museum. There, up at the glistening snow they watched a movie, but that blanketed the mounquickly were on their way to lunch at Blue Gray, a local the whole day, then returned restaurant known for their burgers. The food was amazing but like the Gettysburg movies. The next day, all the Museum, they left quickly, as they were all eager to pointed that they had to leave get to the house and unpack their snowy paradise, but also their things. That night, The ready for a good night's sleep.

On February 23, the Eighth Eighth Graders went tubing. tain. They skied for almost to the house, where they ate dinner and watched a couple eighth graders were disap-

B-I-N-G-O

By Luke Bowen

played other variations, must cover every single night. corner. Another one of

On Friday, March 1st, the game modes was "L" St. Bart's held our an- where you had to make nual Bingo night. For a L with your markers. only fifteen dollars, you The whole night was could receive 10 Bingo so much fun, with spesheets, a piece of pizza, cial guest callers such and a drink. Throughout as Father Mark and Mr. the duration of the night, English helping out the the 6th graders were sell- amazing Mrs. Bautista, ing candy and shaved and all of the other aweice to help pay for their some parent volunteers awesome Outdoor Ed who made this whole trip. During the Bingo event possible. There games, there were many were also many special different ways to win. prizes to win, such as Sometimes, it was just T-shirts, games, and gift traditional Bingo, 5 spots cards. There was a great in a row. But what made turnout to Bingo night, this fun and interesting with the whole church was that we sometimes hall filled - some of us even had to sit in the such as Blackout, where back on the stairs. All in one must cover the all, I think it really was whole board to win, or a great time, and everyfour corners, where one one had a blast at Bingo

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Spring Musical

By Ashley Federowicz, Alex Zimmerman, and Zoe Brown

The St, Bart's Spring Muand a half hours on Tues-Fridays. This year Ms. Tehan has offered to help out with the spring musical. She works with the cast's dancing and choreography. All the cast and crew members are working up to the big moment on the stage when they perform in front of the entire school community. Mr. Villar is the director of the musical and has really made the show come together. Mrs. Bradley is

Lights, camera, action! the stage crew head and has helped hours on maksical this year, is Beauty ing the props and play and the Beast. All of the come to life! Each and cast has practices for one every cast and crew member has put so much time days and two hours on into the musical so that it looks amazing!



A Golden Apple for the teacher, Ms. Parker!

By Alexa Stevens

to their students. We are ever!" so proud of Ms. Parker!

Recently, our school Everyone was surprised found out that our when the superintenwonderful and amaz- dent of the Archdiocese ing third grade teacher, of Washington visited Ms.Kerry Parker, has St. Bart's and held an been awarded the assembly to present Ms. Golden Apple Award. Parker with her award! This award honors Caitlin Federowicz teachers for providing says, "As a St. Barts stuquality academic and dent I think third grade faith filled instruction is one of the best grades



Pi Day By Zoe Brown and Jackie Federowicz

games for us to play. The upper grades played a game where each place of pi was a different colored piece of paper and you had to place them in the order of the first 100 places of pi. You would make a chain using staples to connect it all together. In order to win, you had to connect the all the pieces of paper together to make a link chain of 100 places of pi. The first

On the date 3/14, team to get all the first the world celebrated Pi 100 places of pi wins! Day! Pi is the never-end- After the games were ing quotient of the cir- done, we all got to have cumference of a circle. slices of real pie! There During math classes with was chocolate cream pie, Dr. Barad, all students apple pie, pumpkin pie, celebrated Pi Day. Dr. and so much more. Dr. Barad had so many fun Barad made it a day to re-



Thank You Parents!

Dear Bobcat Times Parents,

As a group, the Bobcat Times writers would like to thank you for supplying our meetings with wonderful breakfasts and for waking up early to support us. We truly appreciate everything that you have done for us and we could not have done this without you.

Sincerely, **Bobcat Times Journalists**

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Rally for Life By Jackie Federowicz

whole trip very memorable. She made everything relatable and even

The seventh and rapped! There was also eighth graders got an a band playing different early start at 6:30 in the church songs. After the morning, on January Rally, the thousands of 10, because they were people got out of their going to Rally for Life seats for the Mass Secin D.C. The students tion of the whole event. arrived at St. Bart's There were many relibright and early and got gious people giving out onto the bus and headed the Eucharist so that all for D.C. When the bus the other people could got to the Capital One receive Jesus Christ. Arena, they went into After the Mass, the stuthe arena, sat down and dents got back onto the listened to what was bus and went back to going on around them. St. Bart's. It was a very There was a Religious memorable and im-Sister who made the portant experience for the seventh and eighth graders who attended!

The Game of the Year By John Loughran

St. Bart's tradition, the eighth graders compete against the faculty and parents every year. All the students come cheer and it is a fun celebration of skill and sportsmanship for all grades. Spectators enjoy food and drinks while watching the exciting game. This year we played two games, one in the afternoon vs the faculty and one after school so the parents could play. The eighth grade took home the first game, winning 35-31, leaving an opportunity to make a big comeback by the faculty. During half-time of our game at 1:00 PM, we had an opportunity to sink a half court shot or a three pointer

Keeping up the longstanding to earn a pastor's day off. Giuliana made a three pointer, but unfortunately Father Mark wasn't there to witness it. Consequently, the 8th grade had to make another half court shot, where thankfully Sam and Anthony both drained it, achieving a day off for the whole school. The eighth graders handily beat the parents with a final score of 35 to 28.



Congratulations Class of 2019! May God Bless You!

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