



## The Mousetrap

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A mouse looked through the crack in the wall to see the farmer and his wife open a package. What food might this contain?" The mouse wondered - he was devastated to discover it was a mousetrap. Retreating to the farmyard, the mouse proclaimed the warning. There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!"

The chicken clucked and scratched, raised her head and said, "Mr. Mouse, I can tell this is a grave concern to you, but it is of no consequence to me. I cannot be bothered by it."

The mouse turned to the pig and told him, "There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!" The pig sympathized, but said, "I am so very sorry, Mr. Mouse, but there is nothing I can do about it but pray. Be assured you are in my prayers."

The mouse turned to the cow and said "There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!" The cow said, "Wow, Mr. Mouse. I'm sorry for you, but it's no skin off my nose." So, the mouse returned to the house, head down and dejected, to face the farmer's mousetrap alone.

That very night a sound was heard throughout the house -- like the sound of a mousetrap catching its prey. The farmer's wife rushed to see what was caught. In the darkness, she did not see it was a venomous snake whose tail the trap had caught. The snake bit the farmer's wife. The farmer rushed her to the hospital, and she returned home with a fever.

Everyone knows you treat a fever with fresh chicken soup, so the farmer took his hatchet to the farmyard for the soup's main ingredient.

But his wife's sickness continued, so friends and neighbors came to sit with her around the clock. To feed them, the farmer butchered the pig.

The farmer's wife did not get well; she died. So many people came for her funeral; the farmer had the cow slaughtered to provide enough meat for all of them.

The mouse looked upon it all from his crack in the wall with great sadness.

The next time you hear someone is facing a problem and think it doesn't concern you, remember -- when one of us is threatened, we are all at risk. We are all involved in this journey called life. We must keep an eye out for one another and make an extra effort to encourage and help one another.

## SAINTS FUN FACTS

by mario d. macari

**B**ENEATH A MIGHTY OAK TREE, SAINT BONIFACE ONCE STOPPED SOME PAGANS FROM THE BLOODY SACRIFICE OF A BOY BY BLOCKING THE DEATH BLOW OF A HAMMER WITH HIS BISHOP'S CROOK THEREBY SPLITTING THE HAMMER IN TWO. HE SMACKED THE TRUNK OF THEIR RITUALISTIC OAK, AND AT ONCE A POWERFUL WIND AROSE, RIPPING THE TREE FROM THE GROUND, SMASHING IT TO PIECES.

BONIFACE THEN TOLD THE PEOPLE OF JESUS CHRIST, MANKIND'S SAVIOR WHO SACRIFICED HIMSELF SO OTHERS MAY LIVE FOREVER!

A NEARBY FIR TREE WAS TO BE A SYMBOL OF CHRIST,

FOR ITS' LEAVES ARE EVER-GREEN AND POINTED TOWARDS HEAVEN. THE TREE WAS TO BE TAKEN INTO THEIR HOMES, "NOT TO SHELTER DEEDS OF BLOOD, BUT LOVING GIFTS AND RITES OF KINDNESS."



## Upcoming Events

**Thu. 10/7:** All School Mass 10AM

**Tue. 10/12:** Fr. Norbert's Birthday

**Mon. 10/18:** Spirit Attire Monday

**10/24-10/28:** Red Ribbon Days

**Fri. 10/29:** Saint Attire procession

Grandparents' Day

**Mon. 11/1:** All Saints Mass 10AM

**Tue. 11/2:** Spirit Attire Day

**Fri. 11/5:** No school. Faculty inservice

## The Story of the Three Pumpkins

Once there were three little pumpkins. The first pumpkin said, "I want to remain just as I am. I never want to change."



The second pumpkin said, "I want to be a jack-o-lantern, but I don't want to let go of what I already have. I want to change but I'm afraid to let anyone carve eyes, nose and a mouth out of my shell. So I won't change either."

The third pumpkin said, "I want to shine like the sun and in order to let the light come out of me, I need to lose part of myself. I need to change. Open my eyes, ears, nose and mouth and put a lit candle inside me."



The pumpkin wanted to become a jack-o-lantern, even at the cost of losing some of itself. And so, the light shone out of its eyes, ears, nose and mouth. The light of the third pumpkin, together with the light of all the other jack-o-lanterns, made the night become brighter than day. And darkness went away forever.

Dear Parents and Students,

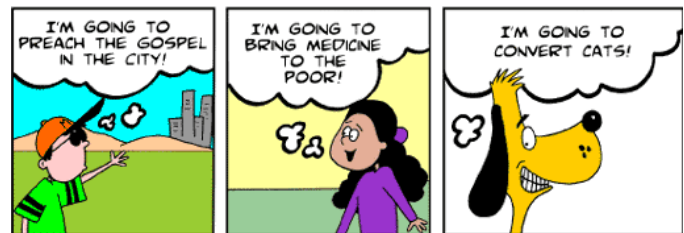
Homework assignments are no longer posted online. Students, please be sure to copy them onto your planner accurately each day. Student planners are subject to surprise inspections. Any student who does not copy down the correct assignments will be required to return to class after 2:40 to correctly copy down assignments.

Thank you,  
*Mr. Nguyen*

## Congratulations!

... to the following students who earned an A+ on the following tests.

Religion Ch. 2			
Riley	Roisin	Bryan	Cade
Emily	Joseph	Izabelle	Madeleine
Francine	Alyssa		
Little House Ch. 3			
Daphne	Bryan	Riley	Alyssa
Matthew	George	Francine	Roisin
Joseph	Liandra	Izabelle	Madeleine
Math 1 B			
Joseph	Izabelle	Madeleine	Francine
Ethan	Bryan	John	Cade
Alyssa	Roisin		
Spelling			
Daphne	Augustin	Ethan	Bryan
John	Matthew	George	Francine
Joseph	Charlene	Liandra	Izabelle
Bridgette	Madeleine	Jason	
Vocabulary			
Daphne	Spencer	Jalen	Emily
Augustin	Ethan	Nicholas	Hannah
Bryan	John	Riley	Cade
Alyssa	Megan	Cameron	Matthew
George	Francine	Peter	Joseph
Charlene	Liandra	Izabelle	Noah
Alex	Madeleine		



Upcoming Tests		
Religion	The Rosary	Mon. 10/18
Reading	Little House Ch. 4	Wed. 10/13
Spelling + Vocab		Friday 10/8
Math	Ch. 2A	Thu. 10/7
Science	Unit A, Ch. 2	Thu. 10/14
Language	Nouns part 1	Tue. 10/12
Soc. Studies, Spanish, Music, Comp.		Check Planner

### Weekly Giggle

**Teacher:** Why are you late, Joseph?  
**Joseph:** Because of a sign down the road.  
**Teacher:** What does a sign have to do with your being late?  
**Joseph:** The sign said, "School Ahead, Go Slow!"