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SAINT CATHERINE CENTER FOR *Special Needs*

Celebrating Catholic Schools Week: United in Faith and Community

Every year, Catholic schools across the U.S. observe the last week in January with Masses and activities that recognize the value of a Catholic education.

This year's theme: "United in Faith and Community" encapsulates the heart of Catholic education. It reflects our commitment to nurturing the spiritual, intellectual, and emotional growth of each individual.

Throughout Catholic Schools Week, we come together to celebrate this unity and reaffirm our shared values and beliefs. "We focus on the value Catholic education provides to our young people and its contributions to our church, our communities and our nation. It is an opportunity for us to have some fun as well!" said Eric Spencer, Principal.

One of the central goals of Catholic education is to form saints- individuals who strive to live virtuous lives guided by love, compassion and helping others. At Saint Catherine Academy, we take this mission to heart, recognizing that education extends beyond the classroom to encompass the development of the whole person—body, mind, and spirit. "We are so fortunate that we are able to pray together and thank our God for all His wonderful gifts given to us," said Sister Cheryl, teacher.

During Catholic Schools' Week, the spirit of unity and pride is vibrant in the hallways and classrooms with decorated doors and classroom bulletin boards. Whether it's dressing up in themed spirit week attire, or participating in fun group activities, each aspect of Catholic School's Week reflects our collective commitment to living out the Gospel values in our daily lives.

As we celebrate, we are reminded of the blessing of being part of a faith filled community dedicated to the pursuit of truth,



justice, and love. It is a time to give thanks for the gift of Catholic education and rededicate ourselves to the mission.

[Click here for a short video.](#)



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Support Our Adult Program



Over the past seven years, your generous support during Fairfield County Giving Day has been instrumental in fueling vital activities for our Adult Program. Last year marked the conclusion of this annual fundraising event that supported hundreds of non-profit organizations in our community.

The funds we raised through this day of charity played a crucial role in supporting activities for our Adult Program such as art, music, movement, and trips and outings in the community.

In light of this, we reach out seeking your direct support. Your contribution will enable us to maintain and enhance the impact we make on the lives of the young adults at our Center. You play a pivotal role in ensuring that our programs continue to thrive, and provide essential services to those who need them.

Click [here](#) to support these necessary activities.

Celebrating Diversity: Black History Month

In the spirit of Black History Month, the Center has taken creative strides to celebrate the rich heritage and contributions of African Americans. Throughout the Center, doors and bulletin boards showcase vibrant displays that pay homage to important historical figures of American History.

Each display tells a story, showcasing influential leaders, activists, artists, and innovators who left an indelible mark in history giving everyone a deeper understanding of the struggles and triumphs that have shaped society.





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