

## *Headmaster's Missive*

1/22/20 - St. Vincent of Saragossa

"He used His Body not only to teach but also to govern and to found a Kingdom. Gathering the elements of His first Kingdom, consisting mostly of ignorant men, He chose from the twelve of them one as their chief and guide – Peter the Rock, on whom He said He would build His Church, and to whom He committed the supreme power of feeding His lambs and feeding His sheep... This new body, sometimes called a mystical body, is to be understood after the analogy of the human body which is made up of many members performing different functions and yet all cooperating toward the harmony of the whole. The hand is not the foot, the eye is not the ear, the heart is not the lung. So, too, the priest is not the layman, the apostle is not the disciple, the Vicar of Christ is not the deacon, and yet all are one in the same Spirit."

- Ven. Fulton J. Sheen



Dear Parents,

We had a wonderful and peaceful march today at the capitol. It is no small detail that Christ used the image of the body to explain the mystery of the Church. We are formed in God's image. Hence, life is sacred as soon as we come to be. This is an inalienable gift that we proudly defended today at the capitol. Before we left today I explained to the students that protecting the right to life is the fundamental responsibility we have as Catholic and as human beings. It is more than a political issue, though it is also a political issue. Let's pray that the next generation of pro-lifers are inspired by MCCL Right to Life march. Let's also pray to end abortion, for all those who have suffered from abortion, and for all those defending life. AMEN!

Godspeed,

Andrew M. Lang

Headmaster

*Venerable Fulton Sheen, Pray for Us!*

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Please review our live calendar for complete coverage of upcoming events!

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## *FYI-Upcoming Events*

- Enrollment for new students and re-enrollment for current students is open in TADS. If families choose to apply for financial aid, priority consideration will be given to applications completed by March 15th.
  - Thanks to everyone who participated in the Winter Warm-Up. Please send any ski photos into the office email!
  - **Freshmen entrance testing** is this Saturday, January 25th. Please call the office to sign up ASAP.
  - Now that school is back in session please invite your prospective student friends to **shadow!**
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## *Faculty Ruminations by Mr. Lippert*



"The bigger they are, the harder they fall!" This week the Sophomore class cleans up the remains of the enormous Catholic empire of Charlemagne, which split in 843 A.D. amid royal family squabbles into what is now France, Germany, and Italy. Attacked by Vikings from the north, Huns from the east, and the rapid advance of Moors from the south, and with corrupt local politics jeopardizing the independence of the Pope in Rome, the 9th century was a dark time for Christian Europe. How did we get from this low point to the beautiful accomplishments of the High Middle Ages? How did the Church, human rights, faith and reason, law and order, survive? Through the dedicated holiness of small groups of faithful Catholics, who went back to basics. Catholics like the zealous monks at the newly-formed abbey at Cluny, France, which went from a humble 12 founding monks in the wilderness to a booming movement of religious zeal, becoming a beacon and support for the faithful throughout Europe to live out their vocation to holiness, regardless of possible

## Sheen Team

- The Student Write-a-Thon is **this Friday, January 24**, if you haven't sent your names to Susan Wieneke, please do so ASAP! Please send your student with a Catholic or Christian celebrity's name and address, too!
- Our first Encounter the Holy Spirit retreat is Tuesday, February 4, at 7PM.
- Watch for a Sign-Up Genius for Encounter the Holy Spirit retreat. All students are asked to help with one aspect of the retreat (serving at Mass, opening doors, singing at Mass, serving meals, etc.) We also need parents to help, too!

political consequences. Sainly Popes (who were once Cluniac monks) broke their ties with corruption, and rejected the intimidation of Emperors. Kings were humbled, human dignity was championed (at a time of widespread abuse), and the Church's call to salvation through Jesus Christ was kept intact--all because of an obscure group of people who remained faithful to God's call, moving an entire continent back toward faithfulness, and the Church back to her voice. Well might we sing: "He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly."





Support Joe Perrault



The Knights of Columbus are hosting a spaghetti dinner to raise money for the Perrault family.



When: Saturday, January 25, 2020

Where: St. Albert Parish Center

Time: 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Cost: Free Will Donation

Raffle Baskets & Monetary Donations are being accepted!

Raffle Baskets & Monetary Donations can be dropped off at St. Albert's Parish Office at 11400 57th St NE, Albertville. Make checks payable to the Knights of Columbus Council #41174. Please call 763-497-2474, if you have questions.

Joe had back surgery in November to fuse together two vertebrae and is unable to work for 6 months. Please support the Perrault family by stopping in for a delicious spaghetti dinner!

\* All Proceeds go to the Perrault family \*

## Support a HSA Family's Need

Please consider supporting the Perrault family on Saturday January 25th at St. Albert's Parish center from 4-8PM for a free-will offering Spaghetti dinner. Mr. Perrault recently had back and knee surgery and is unable to work for the next six months. See attached flyer [here](#).



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