

June, 2024

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Sixth Grade! I am pleased to welcome your child into my class this fall! Our Sixth grade year will be filled with adventure, learning, and most of all-fun! Our theme this year will be: "Let Your Learning Take Flight!!"

A few perks to look forward to next fall are outdoor learning, lots of hands-on activities, class-room team-building and Lectio Divina; quiet & prayerful time for reflection. There is a lot of fun & learning on the way so relax and rest up this summer!

This summer, I would love for my students to keep reading. Please see the following page for book choices. Please purchase one of the the selected books and have your child read it throughout the summer. Upon return, we will be using this novel to jumpstart our language arts work. I hope to build their love of literature, and I can't wait to hear of the adventures they have taken through their summer-reading books! *Students should also practice math facts to keep skills sharp!

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. My email address is: negronc@stfrancisschoolnh.org.

I am wishing you a fun-filled summer and look forward to seeing you in the fall!

Sincerely, Mrs. Negron

SIXTH GRADE SUMMER READING LIST- PLEASE READ ONE!



Saving Mount Rushmore by Andrea Jo Rodgers

Author's website

BOOK 1 ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL ACADEMY

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John Jenkins is shocked when he learns he's been accepted to a top-secret school for kids with special gifts, but then devastated when he discovers he was admitted due to a clerical error. As John and his schoolmates track down clues and solve puzzles in order to save Mount Rushmore, he discovers that everyone has special God-given gifts, including him. Themes: faith, friendship, courage, patriotism, adventure, history, God-given gifts, good vs. evil



7 Riddles to Nowhere by A J Cattapan

Author's website

BOOK 1 STANDALONE

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A selectively mute seventh-grade boy tries to save his Catholic school from closing by winning a riddle-solving competition that leads him and his eclectic group of friends through the churches of Chicago.

Themes: bullying, friendship, sacrifice, grit and determination



Single Bead by Stephanie Engelman

Author's website

BOOK 1 STANDALONE

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After discovering a bead to her grandmother's rosary a year after her grandmother's death in a plane crash, sixteen-year-old Katelyn sets off on a quest to find the remaining beads and discovers a series of miracles.

Themes: rosary, loss, depression, prayer, Blessed Mother, death, Heaven, Purgatory



Perfect Blindside by Leslea Wahl

Author's Website

BOOK 1 THE BLINDSIDE SERIES

An Olympic snowboarding superstar with an ego and a high school journalist with a chip on her shoulder must team up to solve

the mysterious happenings in their small Colorado town. Themes: discovering God's will, using your talents to help others



Boy Who Knew (Carlo Acutis) by Corinna Turner

Author's Website

BOOK 1 FRIENDS IN HIGH PLACES

Fictional teens learn about different saints as they go through their own life struggles, and we see the inspiration and influence of the book's saint in their lives. In 'The Boy Who Knew (Carlo Acutis)' a fifteen-year-old boy with leukemia gets to know Blessed Carlo Acutis, re-evaluates his priorities in life and gains the strength to face his illness.

Themes: Faith, friendship with the saints, fear, mortality, death, beatification



Charting the Course by Leslea Wahl

Author's Website

BOOK 1 FINDING FAITH

Stuck on a ship with her estranged father for this high school reunion - not a merry way to spend the holidays. When Liz's reckless behavior affects someone else, she realizes that she focusing on faith is the course correction her life needs.

Themes: Forgiveness, Second chances, Importance of Family, Discovering the Catholic faith Discussion guestions can be found at the back of the book.

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