



Saint Francis Catholic School

September 4, 2007

Dear Parents,

I came across this prayer and wanted to share it with you. It is entitled "Prayer of Mother" and it supports our school's belief in the sacredness of life from the moment of conception and the beautiful privilege of motherhood. Its last two lines are a petition that we can all claim as a prayer for our school.

Father in heaven, grant me the grace to appreciate the dignity which you have conferred on me.

Let me realize that not even the Angels have been blessed with such a privilege—
to share in your creative miracle and bring new Saints to heaven.

Make me a good mother to all my children after the example of Mary, the Mother of your Son.

Through the intercession of Jesus and Mary I ask your continued blessings on my family.

Let us all be dedicated to your service on earth
and attain the eternal happiness of your kingdom in heaven.

- **THANK YOU** - Thank you for your attendance at our Back to School Night last Thursday. Your participation is a visible sign of your love and concern for your child/children. Also, "thanks" to Cele Eck, Mary Stueber, Georgiana Daber, Barbara Selvy and Vilma Fallon for their help on picture day!
- **HOT LUNCH** – Hot lunch and milk orders must be in by tomorrow, **Wednesday, September 5th**. Also, please contact Dawn Hoffman if you would like to volunteer for this worthwhile program. Remember, there will be no microwave use in our cafeteria this year.
- **HANDBOOKS** – Please read your handbook and fill out, sign, and hand in the "Statement of Agreement" on the last page. One change regarding shoes – the new guidelines state "no two-tone shoes". Don't go out and buy new shoes if your present shoes are two-tone. However, the next time you purchase shoes for school, purchase brown one-color shoes that follow the policy change. **DIRECTORY** – Check your address and phone number. Let us know if it is incorrect. Also, if you have moved or changed phone numbers recently, let us know so we can stay current.
- **SUPERINTENDENT'S VISIT** – Our Diocese of Charleston School Superintendent will be here for a visit on September 6th from 8:00 AM – Noon. Sr. Julia Hutchison, SND, Ed.D. has been our Superintendent for two years and has done much to improve the curriculum standards, spirituality, and so many other areas of the schools in the Diocese of Charleston. We look forward to her visit. Let's show our hospitality and, if you see her, say hello to "Sr. Julia".
- **CAR WASH** – Volleyball Team Car Wash at school - 3:00 – 5:00 PM on Wednesday, September 19th.
- **FAMILY MASS AT St. Francis By the Sea Catholic Church** – Those who are parishioners of St. Francis By the Sea, please read the enclosed letter from Mrs. Selvy!
- **Capitol Campaign/Construction Question of the Week** – "Why haven't we started building our Fine Arts Center? **Answer:** As Steve Riley, city manager and building committee member stated at the Back to School Night, "It isn't a money problem or a diocesan matter. We are waiting for a site development permit from the Office of Coastal Resource Management related to the wetlands near our future construction." We hope to start the seven month construction process in September.

Sincerely in Christ,
Mike Rockers, Ed.D.