



Saint Agnes

CATHOLIC CHURCH



April 7, 2024

Rev. Rayappa Konka
Pastor

Susan Flohr
Pastoral Minister

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 am
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri
7:00 am
Wed 8:15am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays one hour prior to Mass
or by appointment (632-2541)

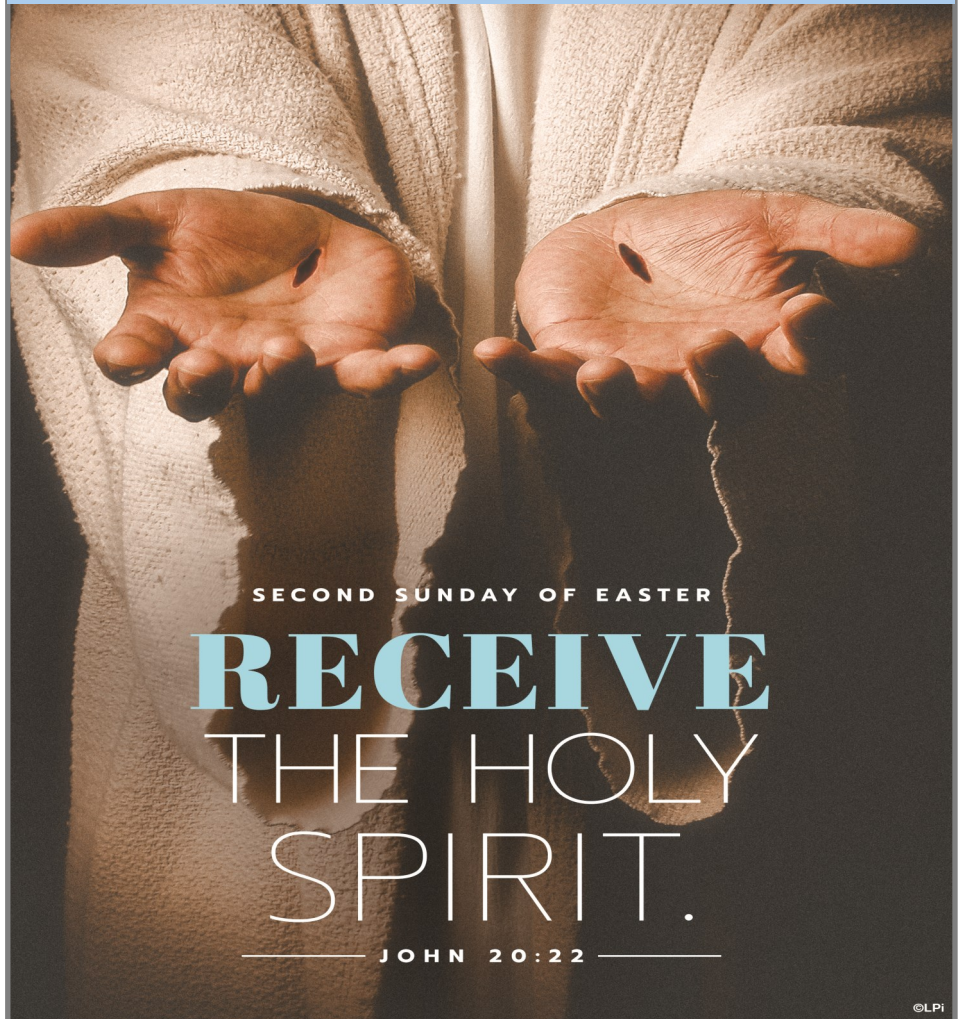
Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the Parish Office

Parish Office Hours:

Tuesday-Friday, 9am - Noon
& 1pm - 4pm

Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."
- Jn 20:28-29



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

RECEIVE
THE HOLY
SPIRIT.

JOHN 20:22

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Saint Agnes Catholic Church

Today's Readings

Acts 4:32-35

Psalm:118

First John 5:1-6

John 20:19-31



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Second Sunday of Easter

Written in the Wounds

For all the condemnation Thomas the Doubter has received in 2000 years of homilies, I think there's something to admire in him.

Thomas is not unique. We all waver at some point, overcome by hesitation, distracted by the clamor of the world which seeks at every turn to shout above the whisper of the divine.

Thomas knows what he saw on Good Friday: his friend nailed to a cross, a sword driven through his body. He saw the blood and the water. He saw these things with his own eyes, eyes given to him by God, eyes which have never failed him before. And God doesn't ask us to suspend reality to believe in Him. He only asks us to be discerning about how that reality is interpreted in our hearts.

Thomas knows the man before him is either a fraud, preying on the hopes and anxieties of the traumatized disciples, or he is the Christ, the Savior of the world, accomplisher of impossible things. But where to look, to tell the difference?

Satan once appeared to the great mystic saint, Teresa of Avila, disguised as Jesus. She knew instantly that he was a fraud. Enraged, he demanded to know where his deception had failed. "You have no wounds," she told him simply.

Could we have accepted a savior who did not bleed? I don't think we could, because sooner or later, we would all stand before him and say, "Here is where the world hurt me. Here, and here, and here. What about you?" Christ can point to his hands, his feet, his side. "Here, and here, and here," he can say. "And I overcame them all."

It's the wounds, you see. The truth is in the wounds.

Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" — John 20:28

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments - By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

This Week's Schedule

Monday, April 8, 2024

Daily Mass (7:00am)
Intention: †Albert & †Marylou Weitzel by Linda Thoms
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

Tuesday, April 9, 2024

Daily Mass (7:00am)
Intention: †Rick Hilzer by Deb Hilzer & Family
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

Wednesday, April 10, 2024

Daily Mass (8:15am)
Intention: †George "Edward" Moore by St. Agnes Students & Staff
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)
Contemplative Prayer (6:00pm)

Thursday, April 11, 2024

Daily Mass (7:00am)
Intention: †Sharon Herman by Troy & Carol Herman Family
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

Friday, April 12, 2024

Daily Mass (7:00am)
Intention: †Ben & †Billye Castinado by The Guadarrama Family
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)


Saturday, April 13, 2024

Weekend Mass (5:00pm)
Intention: Chris Canseco by Antonio & Rita Tecson

Sunday, April 14, 2024

Weekend Mass (8:00am)
Intention: Margie Rood
Weekend Mass (10:00am)
Intention: For Our Parish

This Week's Readings



Monday Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-2

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

Server Schedule

Apr 13 5pm Aden Munoz
Jonah Klass

Apr 14 8am John V. Songco
Easton Becker
Addison Peck

10:00am Havynn Urdiales
Kellan Zulkoski

Lector Schedule

Apr 13 5pm Steve Viessman

Apr 14 8am David Nash

10:00am Chris Burbach

Rosary Leader Schedule

Apr 13 5pm Daniel Warburton

Apr 14 8am Adam & Nicole Hoelsing

10:00am Angie Hilbert

Finance Corner

Sunday Collections & ATW Giving

March 31, 2024

Actual	\$4374.14
Online Giving	\$1196.50
Easter Coll.	\$4983.00
Budget	\$10000.00
Surplus (Deficit)	\$553.64

March 2024 Totals

Actual	\$23088.03
ATW	\$7665.00
Online Giving	\$7594.04
Gen. Church Support	\$10600.00
Budget	\$50000.00
Surplus (Deficit)	\$1052.93

There is no 2nd collection for next week.

Thank you for your continued giving!

Remembering Loved Ones with Easter Altar Flowers


Jess, Trina, Charlotte, Joe & Martha Medina by M/M Daniel Guzman; Mr. & Mrs. Daryl Arneson, Mr. & Mrs. Harold Calvert by M/M Michael Calvert; Karen Koch by John Koch; Bill & Rex Carr by Lucille Carr; Ellen Gion, Mary & Michael Gion, Jeff Gion Family, Greg Gion Family, Lewis & Pauline Triplett by Larry Gion; Gene & Mary Guenin, D.L. Guenin & Gene Schmid by M/M Greg Schmid; Beatrice Grandy, William R. Grandy, Joshua I. Bullock, Joe Loomis & Nancy Skinner by Kathyann Bullock; Marcia Prell, Larry & Wanda Hiltgen, Francis Voet, Bob & Gloria Hiltgen by M/M Jason Hiltgen; Montague Family & Taschacher Family by Lynda Montague; Robert J. Reilly, Lois Reilly, Gary Reilly, Dan Reilly & Shana Darnell by M/M Jacob Krieg; Regino Rosario, Juana M. Rosario & Augustine Rosario by M/M Rosa Rosario; Steve McDonnough by M/M Connie McDonnough; Ricard Hawes, Gayle & Bonnie Johnson by M/M Robert Johnson; Ed Moore, Mary Nance, Tom Wlaschin, Theo



& Millie Tran, Bates Babies by M/M Patrick Brown; Ray Murdock by Daniel Cushing; Colleen Mathewson, Billye & Ben Castinado by M/M Daniel Warburton; Richardis & Bernard Wlaschin, Jose & Guadalupe Tecson by M/M Antonio Tecson; Rodney Brooks, Lawrence Foxhoven & Jenna Wolfe by M/M Jeff Wolfe; Frank & Lela Urdiales, Pete & Elaisa Brown, Jim & Betty Ladd, Shirley Robinson by M/M Martin Urdiales; Carol Burbach & Catherine Hoeft by M/M Larry Burbach; Charlie Fitzke by M/M Adam Hoelsing; Ben & Billye Castinado, Tom Braddock, Vivian Nelson & Patricia Bowen by Lyle Downs; Henry & Helen Koester, Don-John & Linda Koester, Jerome Koester, Robert Koester, Mary Anne & Joe Boeman, Matt, Dorothy, Kathy & Marsha by M/M Charles Koester; Kathy Liewer, Sharon Herman by M/M Troy Herman; Clarence Rood Jr., Frank & Louise Marquez, Richard Saucedo, Coby Saucedo, Clarence & Doris Rood by Margaret Rood

Divine Mercy Sunday

Sunday, April 7th at 3:00pm in the church, St. Agnes will hold a Chaplet of Divine Mercy. All are invited to attend!




The Knights of Columbus will be hosting their breakfast buffet on Sunday, April 7th from 8:00am to noon. This is an all you eat buffet. Adults are \$10.00 per person and children are \$5.00 each. Everyone is welcome to attend. Thank you for your continuous support of our local Knights of Columbus projects.



Knights of Columbus

Hoelsing Family Recognition

St. Agnes Church with Fr. Konka along with the St. Agnes School with Mrs. Brown (with the Knights of Columbus), recognizes Adam Hoelsing and Family for leading the “Fish Fry – St. Agnes Fryers” Project for several years. As many of us know, the Hoelsing family are moving up to Chadron. Adam has taken a job as a Professor at Chadron State College and his wife Nichole will be working at the local community hospital. It is just appropriate to give recognition for their leadership for the several years of the success of the project.

Moreover, Adam is active in our Knights of Columbus council as an Advocate, Eucharistic Minister at Church, and other Church Activities. His wife Nichole helped with the Fish Fry and fall dinner at Church, and she is also a Lector at Church. Their kids also helped at the fish fry and fall dinner. The children also serve at Church mass as Altar Servers. And as a family they always lead the Rosary before the mass starts. They help as well with St. Agnes School activities such as Penny Carnival. All their 4 children James, June, Henry and Tristan attend St. Agnes Catholic School. We will miss the Hoelsing Family. Good luck in your next journey in life in Chadron.



Membership Drive for St. Agnes 100 Club!!

One of the most important fundraisers for St. Agnes Catholic School is the **100 Club Lottery**. The 100 Club is part of the St. Agnes Home and School Association. When the lottery started in April, 1983, no one could have predicted its success and longevity! This past year, the 100 Club raised close to \$12,000 for the school. An equal amount was given away in monetary prizes to the members of 100 Club. Our goal is 200 members.

How are the donations used? 100 Club Lottery helps keep tuition at St. Agnes School affordable for our families! The money raised through the lottery is utilized by the school to help pay salaries, buy supplies and other expenses. The donations from the lottery have played an important role in helping balance the budget at St. Agnes School.

How does it work? 100 Club members include school parents, members of St. Agnes Parish, alumni, and other folks from the community. Each member contributes \$10.00 per month for one year for a total donation of \$120.00. **Each month, 50% of the total monthly donations are given away in a cash prize lottery drawing to the members of 100 Club! The other 50% goes to St. Agnes School.**

Membership Renewal begins in April! If you would like to join or renew 100 Club, please contact Mary Skiles at 308-641-0461 or via email - skilesmary@hotmail.com. You may also complete the form in bulletin. Thank you for supporting St. Agnes School!!

**ST AGNES
CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

**100
CLUB**

\$120 ANNUAL DONATION
(BILLED MONTHLY, QUARTERLY OR ANNUALLY)

50% OF DONATIONS GO TO WINNINGS, 50% GOES TO THE SCHOOL

MONTHLY WINNERS!!!

1 - \$200 WINNER
3 - \$100 WINNERS
9 - \$50 WINNERS

Amount may vary based on enrollment

MUST BE 19 YEARS OF AGE

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

QUESTIONS? CONTACT MARY SKILES @ 641-0461.

Yes!! I want to join St. Agnes 100 Club!!

Complete this form to join 100 Club or to renew your membership. Return form to the school or place in the St. Agnes collection basket. Envelopes will be available in the gathering space the first weekend in May.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Donation Method (Please mark one):

- Monthly (\$10.00/month x 12 payments = \$120.00/year)
- Quarterly (\$30.00 every 3 months x 4 payments = \$120.00/year)
- Annually (\$120.00 x 1 payment = \$120.00/year)

Religious Education Program

Email—dre@st-agnes-church.com

Religious Education Office—308-635-1362

Celebrating Sunday
Second Sunday of Easter
Gospel: John 20:19-23

On the Way to Mass:

What do you think of when you hear the word *peace*? What does it mean when we greet one another with the words “May the peace of Christ be with you?” What are we wishing for the other person?

On the Way Home From Mass:

Why do you think Jesus’ first word to his disciples after the resurrection was peace?

Living the Word:

As a family, look for instances of peace, harmony, or contentment in your week. Have your children write about them or draw an image of those moments, and the to share those moments with the family.

*Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families
2023-2024*

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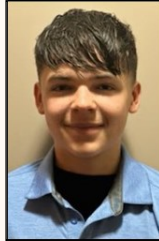
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Meet the Confirmation Candidates



Hayden Rodriguez

My name is Hayden Rodrigues. My dad is Juan and my mom is Bailey. My sister is Penelope and my grandparents are Silvino and Eliza. I attend BMS and I am In the 8th grade. I play basketball, football, soccer, and I work part-time construction with my dad and full-time is with Sioux County Feeders.

Confirmation Goal:

I want to encourage younger kids to receive their First Communion and get Confirmed. I would also like to be an usher and Eucharistic Minister.



Congratulations to the following candidates as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 7th. Traxton Adams, Elena Blanco, Henry Blanco, Isaac Blanco, Morgan Celli, Lucas Esselstein, Alex Fox, Trenton Gion, Kalleigh Golden, Quinten Gould, William Green, Coraline Hill, Charlotte Lewis, Breanne Lilley, Camilla Linz, Zach Mark, Annie Mikoloyck, Steven Nguyen, Alyck Rodriguez, Hayden Rodriguez, Lexi Rodriguez, Lillan Seymour, Elliette Verbeck, Kellan Zulkoski, Logan Zulkoski. **Thank you** to their catechists, Michael Calvert, Mike Esselstein, and Travis

Meet the Confirmation Candidates



Lillian Seymour

My name is Lillian Grace Seymour, but call me Lilly. I was born in Wichita, Kansas and moved to Scottsbluff when I was 7 years old. I attended St. Agnes Catholic School from grades 3rd-5th, the best 3 years of school I had. Then I went to middle school at BMS. I am an 8th grader and going through Confirmation. I am very proud of that too. I have 2 brothers, Ben and Will. I also have 2 dogs, Chief and Dazzel. I enjoy hanging out with friends and family. I love sports and skiing and playing basketball. I also like going to football games and other stuff like that.

Confirmation Goal:

I plan to continue to altar serve and help clean up the church as well as volunteer for wherever I am needed. I would also like to help teach young kids to be a better example for the younger kids and for others too.



First Holy Communion

April 14th
8:00 am & 10:00 am Masses



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**Registration
opens: April 1, 2024**

**Get ready to join us.
St. Agnes and Christ the King
June 9-14, 2024**



Register
here

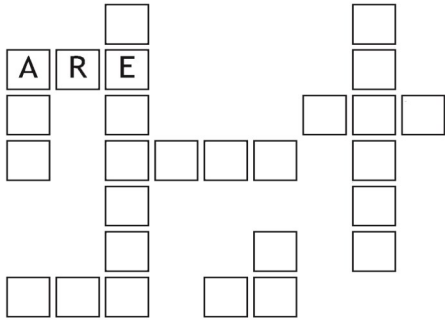


Kids' Corner

PUZZLE

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

Thomas replied, "You are my Lord and my God!"



MISSION

Talk to God about a friend who does not believe in Jesus. Ask God to give you the right words to say about Jesus. Then ask God to help you be patient.

PUZZLE

Circle the group in each row that has more. Then color the pictures:



MISSION

I will take diapers, blankets, canned milk, and baby clothes to the homeless shelter.



Connecting Students and Families through Faith
April 7, 2024



Upcoming Events

Monday, April 9th

PK/K Career Day

Wednesday, April 10th

Mass @ 8:15 - 2nd Gr. leads

Thursday, April 11th

Jump Rope for Heart Event

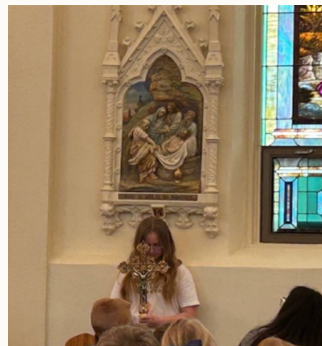
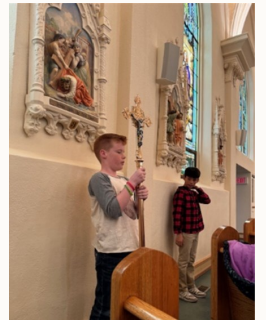
Friday, April 12th

Mid Quarter Reports

3rd - 5th Grade

Children's Stations of the Cross

St. Agnes students and staff prepared for the Holy Triduum by participating in a student-led Mass on Wednesday morning, March 27 and later taking part in children's version of the Stations of the Cross, *A Journey with Jesus*, by James Allen, who happens to be the uncle of Mrs. Svitak. Led by the 5th grade, the students actively participated and were encouraged to journey with Jesus, not just during the Way of the Cross but during every day of their lives. What a great message and way to begin the holiest time of the year!



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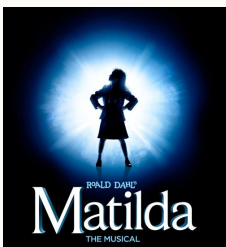
Easter Fun

PK, Kindergarten and 1st grade students enjoyed some Easter fun before departing for a 5 day break from school. Each class took part in their own Easter egg hunt held in various locations on the school grounds. Squeals, giggles and energy permeated the air as they raced about their designated areas collecting eggs. Thanks to the older students for their assistance in hiding the eggs. It was a wonderful time of celebrating together!



SHS Musical Performance

The 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students enjoyed the opportunity to attend the matinee performance of Scottsbluff High School's musical, Matilda, held on Wednesday, April 3. The students loved the production and were proud to support alumni: Fabian Zamarripa, Addison Peck, Laetner Malm, Brenya Roach and Katie Forsstrom in their various roles in the musical.



MAPS Testing

1st -5th grade students will be taking the spring MAP tests beginning the week of April 15-24. Students need to be well rested, have eaten a good breakfast and at school on time to help ensure quality test results.

We ask that you do not plan appointments during these days so students are present to test during their assigned times. A full schedule will be sent home with students, so you are aware of each grade's designated testing times.

Spring Music Program

St. Agnes spring music program is scheduled for **Thursday, April 18th** at **6:30** in the school gym. The students will be presenting the musical: Light It Up. Students are asked to **wear their Discipleship Friday shirts** to add some brightness and flair to the production, as we remind ourselves and others that as Christ's disciples, we are called to spread His light in this world. Mark your calendars for this event. It is sure to light up your world!

Hot Lunch Menu for April 8th, 2024 - April 12th, 2024

<u>Monday, April 8</u>	<u>Tuesday, April 9</u>	<u>Wednesday, April 10</u>	<u>Thursday, April 11</u>	<u>Friday, March April 12</u>
French Toast Sticks Potato Patty Sausage Link Banana	Fried Chicken Leg Baked Beans Carrots Grapes	Cheese Pizza Cucumbers Peaches Cookie	Tater-Tot Casserole Peas Dinner Roll Pears	Lasagna w/meat Spinach Salad Garlic Toast Apricots
Helpers: Kelcie McBride Jordan McBride	Helpers: HELP NEEDED HELP NEEDED	Helpers: Kika HELP NEEDED	Helpers: Kelly Beeber HELP NEEDED	Helpers: HELP NEEDED HELP NEEDED

What's Happening at St. Agnes School.....



Kindergarten Class By Teri Ramirez



The end of kindergarten is quickly approaching, and we are still learning and growing every day. I can't believe how fast this year has gone, but my students have all grown academically, physically, and socially. I could not be more pleased with their progress.

March has been such a busy month for us. We celebrated Read Across America, participated in Mardi Gras, had an Easter Egg Hunt, and almost caught the Leprechaun.

In April, we will also have a busy month because on April 8th we will set our eggs in the incubator and watch them develop, and around April 30th fingers crossed, they will hatch. We will also be heading over to the Legacy of the Plains Museum. The students will step into days of the past and compare them to the present. Activities will include: shell and grind corn, dive into a real crank-operated washing machine, spin rope, then travel a hop-skip-and-a-jump to play games from the past. This is a fun and exciting field trip for the students.

This time of year, is bitter-sweet for me because as the year comes to an end I'll have to say good-bye to my students. I get attached to them, and they all have a special place in my heart. I am also happy because they are all ready to go on their new journey, going to first grade.



Fourth Grade Class By Kristie Becker



We are back from Easter break and ready to finish our year strong! Fourth grade is beginning some of our favorite topics and projects. First up is the Oregon Trail! Students form wagon groups and try to make their way from Independence, Missouri to Oregon. Along the way, they must write diary entries describing their trip, figure out what supplies to bring and make decisions on what trails and passes to take. This project is a beloved tradition in fourth grade. We are also finishing our natural disaster science unit. Students are designing posters about each natural disaster. Topics include blizzards, tornadoes, and droughts, to name a few.

Before we headed to break, we really enjoyed drawing the Lenten Journey on Formed with Miss Kim. Students have created such beautiful drawings of Jesus and the events that lead up to Easter.

I'm most proud of my students right now for their progress in math! They have been working so hard to learn fractions and they are learning many new concepts!

Students also started their final book clubs of the year, which is bittersweet. They look forward to this part of our day!

We are looking forward to a trip to Agate Fossil Beds in May!

