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Principal's Message

Living with Love: The Story of St. John of God

St. John of God didn't always live a peaceful or easy life. For many years, he made mistakes and struggled to find his way. But when he discovered God's love, everything changed. John decided to share that same love with others - especially those who were sick, poor, or left out.

He opened a small hospital where anyone in need could find care and kindness. John treated every person with dignity, as if they were his own brother or sister. His compassion inspired others to follow his example, and even today, his followers continue his mission by running hospitals around the world.

Like the Good Samaritan, St. John of God reminds us that loving our neighbour means stopping, noticing, and helping - even when it's hard. His life teaches us that kindness and love have the power to heal hearts and change lives.

As we celebrate **All Saints Day** on November 1, we remember people like St. John of God - ordinary people who let God's love shine through their actions and became saints by the way they lived. On **All Souls Day** the next day, we pray for all those who have passed away, thanking God for their lives and asking Him to welcome them into heaven.

"Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action."

(1 John 3:18)

Both of these special days remind us that we are all part of God's family - those on earth, in heaven, and in His care. Like St. John of God, we are called to bring God's love to others in our own small ways every day.

As we launch into November there are a few important dates to note:

November 3 was previously a PD day, but it is now a regular school day. This day will also be school photo day.

November 10th will remain a wellness day and schools in Holy Spirit will be closed.

Nov. 18 & 19th were supposed to be our school concert at the Yates. We made the difficult decision to not proceed with our plans for this performance due to constraints on our preparation time.

December 3rd and 4th will be parent teacher interviews as well as a book fair in our library. Conference Manager will open November 14th for interview time slot reservations.

IMPORTANT DATES

November 1

All Saints Day

November 2

All Souls' Day

November 3

School Picture Day

November 5

Ice Cream sold in Canteen for \$1.00 Cash only

November 6

Lumberjack Day Last Day to order Panago Pizza

November 7

Remembrance Day Liturgy

November 10

Wellness Day-No School

November 11

Remembrance Day-No School

November 13

Panago Pizza Hot Lunch

November 14

Conference Manager Opens

November 18

School Council Mtg 6:30

November 27

Spirit Team Colour Day

SCHOOL CASH – Choir fees have been added. If you would like to purchase a 2024-25 Yearbook please contact the school.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 All Saints Day
Set Your Clocks Back All Souls Day	3 School Picture Day	4	Ice Cream Day \$1.00 cash only	6 Lumberjack Day Last day to order Pizza Legacy Lodge visit—Grant	7 Remembrance Day Liturgy	8
9 John 2: 13-22	Wellness Day No School	11 No School REMEMBRANCE DAY Lift We fruit	12	13 Panago Pizza by the slice Hot Lunch Legacy Lodge visit—Alvarez	Conference Manager Opens	15
16 Luke 21: 5-19	17	School Council Mtg 6:30	19	Legacy Lodge visit—Zgurski	21	22
23 Luke 23: 35-43	24	Legacy Lodge visit—Miller	26	Spirit Team Colour Day Legacy Lodge visit—Power	28	29
30 1st Sunday In Advent Matthew 24: 37-44	1	2	3 Parent/Teach	4 ner Interviews		



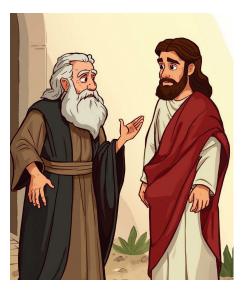
Sharing Our Faith

November 2025 Faith Plan Resources for Younger Students



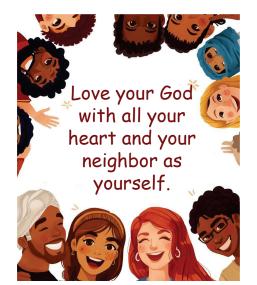
"Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." (Matthew 11:29)

The Parable of the Good Samaritan | Luke 10:30-37



A teacher of the Law came up and tried to trap Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to receive eternal life?"

Jesus answered him, "What do the Scriptures say? How do you interpret them?"



The man answered, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind'; and 'Love your neighbor as you love yourself."

"You are right," Jesus replied; "do this and you will live."



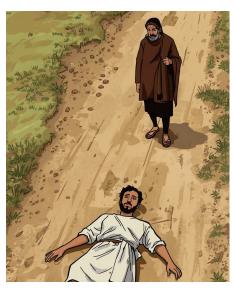
But the teacher of the Law wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "Who is my neighbor?"



Jesus answered, "There was once a man who was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho when robbers attacked him, stripped him, and beat him up, leaving him half dead.

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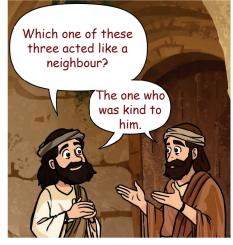
It so happened that a priest was going down that road; but when he saw the man, he walked on by on the other side. In the same way a Levite also came there, went over and looked at the man, and then walked on by on the other side.



But a Samaritan who was traveling that way came upon the man, and when he saw him, his heart was filled with pity. He went over to him, poured oil and wine on his wounds and bandaged them; then he put the man on his own animal and took him to an inn, where he took care of him.



The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Take care of him,' he told the innkeeper, 'and when I come back this way, I will pay you whatever else you spend on him."

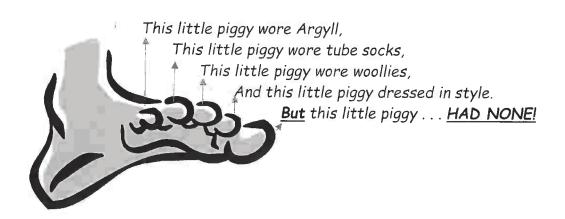


And Jesus concluded, "In your opinion, which one of these three acted like a neighbour toward the man attacked by the robbers?"

The teacher of the Law answered, "The one who was kind to him."

Jesus replied, "You go, then, and do the same."

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It's time for the

25th ANNUAL OPERATION:

SOCK IT TO 'EM

From November 1 to December 3, 2025

Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre, and the caretakers, maintenance & support staff in Lethbridge & area schools are collecting *NEW SOCKS* to be donated to local charities and those less fortunate for Christmas.

Please join them and make someone's Christmas a little bit warmer!

To donate, drop new socks off at Nord-Bridge, or contact any custodial staff at your local school.

QUESTIONS? Call Gail Petrie (403) 327-6520 Charlene Kocken (403) 329-3222

- -Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre
- -Lethbridge School Division
- -Holy Spirit School Division