



# Crusader Courier



**Pope John Paul II Academy**

**Weekly Newsletter (2019-2020: 3)**

Dr. David Emrich, Principal

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**Nativity of Mary (September 8)**

**Happy Birthday, Mother Mary!**

**"For he has looked upon the humility of his servant; behold, from now on  
will all generations call me blessed."**

*-St. Luke 1:48*



## **FABULOUS FIELD TRIP**

(4th & 5th Grades)

Returning from a three-day weekend, the fourth and fifth graders had a fabulous field trip to the Birding Trails at Ridgeway State Park. The ornithologist and park volunteers introduced the PJP2A students to the science of bird banding and provided multiple opportunities to identify and observe local species.

## **BACK TO SCHOOL 'PULLED PORK' PICNIC**

The weather was beautiful and the turnout strong for the back-to-school picnic on Friday. Two bounce houses provided younger children with hours of fun as everyone enjoyed pulled pork complete with Mr. Pete Baldwin's specialty BBQ sauce!



## COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP AT RIVERBOTTOM PARK THIS SATURDAY

Mrs. Sharon Gordon and the K4 class are leading our first community service project of the year. All PJP2A families are invited to meet at the pavilion at **Riverbottom (Baldrige) Park this Saturday, Sep 14 (9-10 AM)**, to help pick up trash as students learn to be good citizens and stewards of God's creation. Please bring gloves and large trash bags!

## RESPECT LIFE ESSAY CONTEST

All PJP2A students are invited to participate in the *Diocese of Pueblo's* Respect Life Essay Contest coordinated by Mr. Andrew Collart. The top essays from each grade group (1-4, 5-8) will be given small in-house awards in preparation for essays to be submitted for the diocesan-wide competition. Deadline for all essays is Monday, Sep 30. For more information see: <https://dioceseofpueblo.org/images/contests/Diocese-of-Pueblo-2019-2020-Respect-Life-Essay-Contest-Questions.pdf>



## PATRIOT PEACE DAY

This Wednesday, September 11, marks the 18th anniversary of the Twin Towers terrorist attacks that killed 3000 people in 2001. In our morning assembly this Wednesday we will commemorate those who died, especially the courageous people who sacrificed their lives to save others. We will pray for America and for peace throughout the world.

## SEPTEMBER SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY

Next week (**Wednesday, Sep 18**) PJP2A students will enjoy the first School Spirit Day of the year... Stay tuned via next week's *Crusader Courier* for more information on the Spirit Day theme...

***DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER WE HONOR THE NINE CHOIRS OF HOLY ANGELS AND EMBRACE THEIR ACTIVITY IN OUR LIVES...***

**THE VIRTUE OF THE WEEK IS HUMILITY!**

## UPCOMING DAYS OFF SCHOOL

**Monday, October 14 (Columbus Day)**

***October 21 will be a regular school day.***