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Good afternoon Families,

Today is the Solemnity of All Saints Day and a holy day of obligation. In our Mass, fifth grade students celebrated their favorite saints by dressing as them and providing some facts about their lives to those in attendance. Their hard work and practice were evident! Thank you fifth-graders and Mrs. B. – nicely done! At the end of Mass, as which is custom, the Knight and Jr. Knights for October were recognized. Please see the VE for this list. Congratulations to all of you for your kindness, compassion, leadership and being such good role models for others.

The first quarter closed this week and parents are now locked out of Edge while teachers enter recent grades into the platform in preparation for the release of report cards next week. A notice will come out again when Edge has been unlocked. New this year on the report card is a general conduct grade for students in Gr. 5-8. General conduct represents conduct outside of the classroom including transitions, lunch, recess, Church, assemblies, etc.

Yesterday, students celebrated Halloween with our traditional school-wide STEM Day. Teachers in every class planned and created science, technology, engineering and math activities for students to explore as they travelled from room to room. I especially enjoyed the creative way elementary students were collaborating to solve problems or tasks at hand such as how to get the apples out of the water without getting their hands (or faces) wet, or constructing towers to a certain measurement. Preschool students enjoyed making Skittle® rainbows. Middle school students worked cooperatively in a spider-web challenge, logic puzzles, and other teamwork inspired activities.

Next week we will be celebrating New England Catholic Schools Week. The agenda has been posted in the VE, but please make note of: Special Person's Day on Tuesday, which will be celebrated with a special Prayer Service put on by the children; the Book Fair which will be running Tuesday-Thursday; and our annual Veterans Day Breakfast and Celebration on Friday morning where our seventh and eighth grade students will be cooking (along with Mrs. Oakley), the fourth grade students will be performing a choral reading of a patriotic poem, and other students will be singing the National Anthem with Mrs. Petkus. Please also mark your calendar for a special meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 6 at 6:30pm in St. Louis Church as members of the Board of Trustees and I discuss the vision for All Saints Academy in the years to come.

Yours in Christ,

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