

Boys Town Skill of the Week: Accepting Compliments

- 1. Look at the person.
- 2. Use a pleasant voice.
- 3. Say, "Thank you."

Dear Blessed Sacrament Families,

Happy Ash Wednesday! I'm sad we weren't able to attend Ash Wednesday Mass as a school. Our monthly virtues got rearranged this second semester and "Cheerfulness" landed on this month of March. My first thought was that it didn't really fit with the spirit of Lent—solemn sacrifice. Then I asked one of our Sisters about it, and she said delightedly, "Oh no, it's perfect!" Just because we are making sacrifices (possibly both seen and unseen), doesn't mean we can't be joyful. A conversation about penances came up while some teachers were eating in the lounge, and I heard some great ideas—replacing social media with a faithful podcast (Rosary in a Year was mentioned), cold showers, no alcohol, adding meditative prayer to your routine, etc. Even if your children are too young to understand the meaning behind sacrificing during Lent (my four-year-old didn't quite understand the joy in giving up candy), it's great to discuss some ideas of how to show love for our Lord. Even adding an extra prayer before bed or reading a few versus in the Bible is a great way to include your children in preparing their hearts for the coming of Christ. I hope your Lent is off to a cheerful start!

In Christ,

Mrs. Jennifer Tran

2025-2026 REGISTRATION

Register by May 23 to be part of a raffle to win one of three \$50 gift cards of your choice (through Scrip). If you register **by April 1, then you will get three tickets** per child. If you register **by May 1, you will get two tickets** per child. Use the following link to begin the process:

https://www.cdolinc.net/enrollment. *Returning Student Enrollment* will be selected for a student that has been enrolled previously in a Diocese of Lincoln Catholic School. *New Student Enrollment* will be selected for any student that has NOT been enrolled previously in a Diocese of Lincoln Catholic School (i.e Pre-K or Kindergartener that has not been in Pre-K). After filling out this form, PowerSchool will then send an email for the parent to continue registering the new student. Email <u>Melissa-tvrdy@cdolinc.net</u> with any questions you have.

2025-2026 GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOLARSHIP, MARCH 31 DEADLINE

To be eligible for the Good Shepherd Scholarship or the Family Tuition Cap Scholarship, families must complete an application and upload tax documents (2023 or 2024 tax forms) through the **FACTS Scholarship Management** program. Any family may apply, regardless of religious affiliation. For more information or to apply for these scholarships go to *www.goodshepherdscholarship.com*. See attached document for more detailed information. Please reach out to Melissa Tvrdy at <u>Melissa-tvrdy@cdolinc.net</u> or 402-476-6202 with any questions.

OSN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

<u>Here</u> is the link to apply for the OSN Scholarship by <u>April 11</u>. The link includes information about the scholarship and should answer any questions you have. If you received money through this scholarship at the beginning of last year, have an incoming Kindergartener or 9th grader, or are transferring from a public school; you child and their siblings may be illegible to receive this scholarship.

UPCOMING REMINDERS

- Pro-life speakers will be coming on **Thursday** where a parishioner mother will have a live ultrasound. Students are encouraged to wear a **pink/red top or a blue top with uniform bottoms** as a way to guess if the baby is a boy/girl.
- First **Friday** will include a School Family Assembly, so students should wear their **family shirt** with uniform bottoms. We will also be starting our weekly Stations of the Cross at 2:50pm.
- There will be no school on Monday, March 10.

PAGE ONE FUN DAY

Page One members are invited to the Fun Day at Pius this Saturday from 9:30 to 11am for all Level I and Level II students. There will be chances to play games and win prizes. Hope to see you there!

ARCHERY PARENT MEETING

There will be an Archery meeting on **Wednesday**, **March 12** at 3:30 to discuss details about the state tournament. **There will NOT be practice** on Wednesday or Thursday of this week as this meeting will take place of the practices. I will also answer any questions parents may have about the state tournament, flight times, awards, fun shoots, etc.

TABLE FOR 10 – SAVE THE DATE

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, March 29**! Blessed Sacrament will host the annual Table for Ten Endowment Night at the Lincoln Firefighters Hall. This year's theme is "Prom Night!" The event includes dinner, entertainment, and an online auction. You do not have to be present to win! For tickets to the event, visit: <u>one.bidpal.net/tableforten2025</u>

DONATIONS

If you have unused coloring books that you no longer want, please reach out to <u>Natalie-</u> <u>izaguirre@cdolinc.net</u> to donate them to our breakfast program, so students have something fun to work on while they wait for school to begin. Thank you!

SCRIP

Thank you to everyone who purchased gift cards through Scrip in 2024! We raised over \$5,800 for Blessed Sacrament which helped pay for things like the new tables in the gym. Did you know that if every adult in the Blessed Sacrament parish bought a \$100 gift card to purchase groceries we would raise over \$7,000 for our church & school? What if they did it every month for a year? Next time you see the green Scrip sign outside school, stop by and see how quick & easy it is to support Blessed Sacrament without spending any extra money! Until then, visit <u>http://tinyurl.com/4ucn4t29</u> or contact Jennie Korth at jenniekorth@gmail.com to learn more!

JH BOLTS FOOTBALL

Registration for Lincoln Youth Football 2025 season is now open.

Visit <u>https://www.jrbolts.com/football/</u> for more information and for the link to get registered. If you have any questions please contact Taylor Ashburn at <u>jrboltsfootball@gmail.com</u>. We believe we have something truly special coming with Jr Bolts football. For the first time, our students will have the

opportunity to play together with their future high school classmates. They will begin to learn elements of the Pius X playbook, which will give our players a significant advantage when they step on the field as Pius X freshmen someday. Our practices will be structured like Pius X and will include many of the same drills and concepts taught at the varsity level. Come be part of something new and different, as we lay a new foundation which will greatly benefit our players, our catholic school community and Pius X Football!