

# Mater Dei Catholic High School Campus Ministry News November 2022

### **A Thanksgiving Prayer**

Dear Father, We humbly come before you with grateful hearts. Praising You with all our being. For we know that every good and perfect gift comes from You-the One who never changes. We recognize those good things, both large and small, with which You've blessed us. But we also recognize our forgetfulness in giving thanks each and every day. Forgive us in our humanity, Lord. May we learn to thank You for our blessings and trust You to bring good out of evil. For You alone are worthy of our praise and thanksgiving. Amen.

# Save the Dates

You are invited to attend our All School Masses on the following dates at 9:40am.

Thanksgiving Mass-November 23

Immaculate Conception Mass-December 8

Catholic Schools Week-February 1

Ash Wednesday-February 22

May Mass-May 3

# **Upcoming Retreats**

Quest for Freshman and Sophomores

March 11-12 2023-St. Dominic-Breese

**Teens Encounter Christ (TEC)** for Juniors and Seniors

**January 14-16, 2023**-Location to be determined

**June 10-12, 2023**-Location to be determined

# **Faith In Action**

During the weekend of November 12-13, seven Mater Dei students participated on a Quest retreat in Mascoutah, IL. During the retreat the students participated in a 33 hour program of sharing for high school freshmen and sophomores. The retreat offers an opportunity to be with other teens to find out more about God, self, and relationships with family and friends. Conducted by a team of lay adults, priests, sisters, and teens. Begins at 10am on Saturday and concludes at 7pm on Sunday. Congratulations on completing the weekend and welcome to the Quest family.

# Still interested in joining Safe Homes?

For the safety of our students, we encourage our parents to join our Safe Homes Network. As members of this program, parents pledge to provide a safe home, which is free of alcohol and drug use, for the students in our community. Families may enroll in this vital program at any time by contacting Ms. Colleen McDermott, Campus Minister, 618.526.7216 or cmcdemott@materdeiknights.org.