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"LIVE LIKE JESUS : WALKING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST" IS THE THEME FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2012

Students and staff at St. Clair Catholic's elementary and secondary schools will celebrate Catholic Education Week from May 6th to 11th with the theme: "*Live Like Jesus – Walking in the Light of Christ.*"

Catholic Education Week is marked by special activities at all grade levels and in all schools, including prayer celebrations, educational activities and fundraisers, which support our local communities.

Following this media release is a partial list of events taking place in some of our Catholic schools during Catholic Education Week 2012.

Members of the media are invited to call the school principal for more details, and stop by for photos.



Catholic Education Week 2012

"Live Like Jesus: Walking in the Light of Christ" List of School Activities for May 6th to 11th

School	School Principal	Activity
Christ The King Catholic School	Shirley Churchill 519-627-6745	 Focus on Literacy as students work together to improve oral reading and work with mentor texts on the big idea of "Bullies" on Tuesday, May 8th. Focus on Technology, as Grade 8 students work with younger students to improve their skills on programs such as bit maps, smart boards and flip cameras on Wednesday, May 9th. Focus on the Arts – students will work together to enhance drama, dance and visual arts. The Grade 3-4 class will travel to the Chatham Cultural Centre for art lessons in varying mediums on Friday, May 11th. Celebrating a Bully Free School and a physical education block of activities are planned with each school family on Friday, May 11th.
Good Shepherd Catholic School	Judy Beatty 519-692-3644	 A special talent show will be held to celebrate Arts and Music Monday, featuring music classes from Grades 1 to 8, our dance team and our Grade 7 dance presentation for Muskoka Woods. Students will showcase their talents using bells, boom whackers, rhythm instruments and their lovely singing voices. Parents, grandparents and community members are welcome – Monday, May 7th at 12:45 p.m.
Gregory A. Hogan Catholic School	Elena Pagotto 519-542-8190	 Peregrine Falcon Presentation for Grade 4 to 7 on May 7th at 9:30 a.m. Music Festival Concert in the gym on May 8th at 12:30 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Catholic Church on May 11th at 9:30 a.m. Jump Rope for Heart on May 11th at 1:00 p.m.
Holy Family Catholic School	Gloria Grieve 519-627-6003	 Catholic Education Week Liturgy on Monday, May 7th at 10:45 a.m. in the school gym. Grade 5 students to visit Sydenham Campus Hospital to deliver 'thank you' cards created by Grade 3 and 5 students in recognition of Nurse Appreciation Week on Monday, May 7th. Rosary prayed in classrooms on Tuesday, May 8th and Wednesday, May 9th. A reception will be held for Holy Family artists, whose work is on display at the Wallaceburg & District Museum for the month of May on Wednesday, May 9th.

Holy Trinity Catholic School	Scott Johnson 519-344-2110	 Danny Edwards, a St. Christopher graduate, who injured his spinal cord in an accident, will speak to students about resiliency and hope. Presentations in the muti-purpose room at 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on Friday, May 11th. Mother's Day presentation in the multi-purpose room from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Friday, May 11th.
Monsignor Uyen Catholic School	Carmen Gagnier 519-352-1880	 Grandparents Day on Monday, May 7th. "Kids Have Stress Too" workshop on Monday May 7th at 7:00 p.m.
Our Lady of Fatima Catholic School	Tom Baker 519-351-4040	 Grandmother's Tea in the school library from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 9th. Students will be reading stories then serving tea and cookies.
St. Anne Catholic School – Blenheim	Johanna Cox 519-676-7352	 Ann Towell, a local author, will speak to Grade 6 students about Black History in the Petrolia area on Thursday, May 10th at 1:15 p.m. Annaul Family Dance on Thursday, May 10th at 5:30 p.m. Music, dancing and memory learning games will be enjoyed by all!
St. Anne Catholic School – Sarnia	Maureen Cecile 519-542-2710	 May Crowning Mass with students from St. Michael Catholic School in Bright's Grove at St. Michael Catholic Church, Tuesday May 8th at 9:30 a.m. Presentation regarding Kingdom Assignment raffle with proceeds to the St. Clair Child and Youth Centre on Thursday, May 10th at 12:30 p.m.
St. Elizabeth Catholic School	Chris Kehoe 519-627-6331	 Students will be celebrating Aboriginal Heritage week from May 14 – 16 with a variety of carousels, including hand drum making, dream catcher arts and crafts and talking circles.
St. John Fisher Catholic School	Steve DeGurse 519-786-5201	 Grade 3 and Grade 2-3 class trip to Fanshawe Pioneer Village on May 8th. Spring Concert on May 10th. School Mass at St. Christopher Church on May 11th.
St. Joseph Catholic School – Corunna	Jean Mantha 519-862-1479	 Scholastic Book Fair in the library on Monday, May 6th and Tuesday, May 7th.
St. Matthew Catholic School	Kevin Cannon 519-332-4300	 Arts performance for students and guests on Wednesday, May 9th at 1:00 p.m. The Light of East ensemble from the London area will perform for parents and students on Wednesday, May 9th at 10:30 a.m. Proceeds from all concerts to the "Toonies for Tummies" project, which generates funds for the school's Student Nutrition Program.
St. Michael Catholic School – Bright's Grove	Anna Giluianni 519-869-4204	 St. Michael and St. Anne school communities join together for a May Crowning Mass on May 8th at 9:30 a.m. at St. Michael Catholic Church, Bright's Grove. Poetry recital on May 9th at 12:00 p.m. in the school gym.
St. Michael Catholic School – Ridgetown	Nicole Stevens 519-674-3475	School Barbeque with a dance show of Grade 7 and 8 students on Thursday, May 17 th at 6:00 p.m.
St. Peter Canisius Catholic School	Mona McKeown 519-876-3018	 Student led Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Watford on Sunday, May 6th at 9:00 a.m. Glee Club performs at Lambton Mall, Sarnia on Monday, May 7th at 7:00 p.m. May Crowning at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Watford on Wednesday, May 9th at 11:00 a.m. Grades 5 to 8 will attend the Emergency Preparedness Day at Clearwater Arena on Friday, May 11th at 9:00 a.m.

St. Philip Catholic School	Mark Renaud 519-882-1520	 Grade 2 students' First Communion on Sunday, May 6th at 2:00 p.m. at St. Philip Church. Students will be celebrating numeracy during Catholic Education Week. A Math Appreciation Day will be held on Thursday, May 10th, during which three-part math activities are planned for our classrooms. Parents are invited to visit and share in our success!
St. Ursula Catholic School	Kerry Matthyssen 519-352-3620	 Mass at St. Ursula Church on May 9th at 9:30 a.m. Grade 1 students host a Mother and Grandmother tea on May 10th at 10:00 a.m. Arts Night, featuring our Kiwanis Festival participants, primary, junior and intermediate choirs, recorder and drum ensembles on May 17th at 6:30 p.m.
St. Vincent Catholic School	Renee Culverwell 519-354-4066	 School-wide reading challenge and special prayers and liturgies throughout the week. Author of <i>Jayden the Jester</i> to visit on Monday, May 7th in the school gym at 12:20 p.m.
St. Christopher Catholic Secondary School	Brendan Deery 519-541-1811	 Kingdom Assignment Project presentations in the drama room at 7:00 p.m. on May 9th.
St. Patrick's Catholic High School	Robert Cicchelli 519-332-3976	 Muskoka Woods Experience – 315 students from St. Patrick's elementary partner schools and 120 secondary students attend the Muskoka Woods Leadership Camp May 5th to 8th. Irish Invitational Track Meet on May 9th.
Ursuline College Chatham Catholic Secondary School	Gerri Brown 519-351-2987	 A demonstration of how native drums are made with Mr. Williams from the First Nations Reserve in Sarnia on Thursday, May 10th at 2:30 p.m.