

***Classroom News**

St. Margaret Mary Catholic School

Grade 1

November 4, 2011

*This week we look at how the Church welcomes new members through the sacrament of Baptism. In order to learn more about their own Baptism, an information sheet was sent home today. Your child will need help



completing it. You are the source of information. Please let your child do the writing. We would like to share the sheets with the class next Thursday.

*In math we are working with unknown partners, or addends. For example: $__ + 7 = 10$. We solve this type of problem by counting on. Math mountains were also introduced. They are a means by which we can solve addition and subtraction problems. Have your child show you how they work.

*Short I, the -ck ending, predicting and the action parts of sentences are the skills and concepts being taught in reading.

*The capital and lower case a and d have been taught. From now on these two letters are expected to be made correctly.

*Guided reading groups have started in reading.

*Thank you to all who sent box tops last week. Mrs. Bergman's class won the school challenge. Students chose a popcorn party as their reward. The best thing was that students asked if they could share their party with Mrs. Kellermann's class. Each first grader had a great time!

*Please stop by the bulletin board in the school hallway. We illustrated ways that we can honor the Lord's Day. While you are there, take a look at the altar set up for the "Day of the Dead." There are pictures of those we wish to remember during this month put around the altar. Across from the office is the rosary that we made with our third grade buddies. Each child illustrated one of the Joyful Mysteries. Students did a fantastic job on this project.

*A big thank you to all of the people who helped with our Halloween and Day of the Dead celebrations.

*Junior Achievement is now concluded with Mrs. Kellermann's class and will begin with Mrs. Bergman's class.

*God bless you and your family.