



March 21, 2019 –

Students in 1st -4th grades celebrated the Feast Day of St. Joseph on Monday with a beloved SFA tradition – St. Joseph's Altar and the story of the fava bean. SFA's special custom has 4th grade students dressed as the Holy Family. They visited classrooms asking for shelter. At each classroom, they were told there was no room for them. Then invited guests and the 4th grade students met in the chapel where students had brought in flowers, fruit, breads, and cookies. Pastor, Reverend Carl Hood blessed the food and then the 4th grade students told guests the origin of St. Joseph's Altar. Each student selected three food items to eat while the rest of the food and flowers were donated to the Sisters of Charity and the St. Vincent de Paul Food Kitchen. In addition, each child received a fava bean to take home so that they could share the story with their family.



March 18, 2019 -

Congratulations to Zoe Vales for winning the first annual Memphis 10-Minute PLAY SLAM! 2019 Competition. Zoe competed against 34 other young playwrights from Memphis area middle schools. The competition is partnered through the American Alliance for Theatre and Education. This year's theme, "Discovering Truth About Ourselves and Others," challenged local writers to submit an original 10-minute play related to the theme. The top 5 finalists received a public staged reading of their script by local area actors at Playhouse on the Square. Zoe's play, Dear Henry, will represent Playhouse on the Square in the Young Playwrights for Change competition held during the AATE's National Conference in New York later this year.





Rome, Italy (CNA) -

Bishop Robert Barron said Thursday that rather than becoming hesitant in sharing the Gospel, the Catholic Church should proclaim the truth even more boldly during these times of crisis. "Wounds have got to be addressed and healed. If we just turn the other way or cover that up, that is not going to help the project," Barron told CNA March 7. "It is a precarious time. It is a time when a lot of us feel threatened in a way. It has affected me — but my sense has always been during these times of crisis, we bring the Gospel forward more boldly," he said. Barron, an auxiliary bishop of Los Angeles, is known for his Catholicism video series and online YouTube video apostolate, which he said began at a time when the American Church was beginning to grapple with clerical sex abuse. In response, his ministry, Word on Fire, leads with the beauty and the intellectual depth of the Catholic faith. This is the moment for novelty and creativity and simplicity in the best sense, the return to the Gospel basics, he said. The American bishop was in Rome to receive an honorary doctorate from the Angelicum, the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas, on the 745th anniversary of Aquinas' death. Among the saints, [Aquinas] is the greatest and the most intimate of my spiritual friends, and he has followed me all of my life long, he said in his homily at the Angelicum's Church of St. Dominic and Sixtus. The bishop reflected that St. Thomas Aquinas taught him that the person of wisdom is one who sees the world from the standpoint of

the highest cause. "What happens to all of us sinners is that we see the world from the standpoint of all kinds of proximate causes," he explained. "We start seeing our life in terms of power and honor and wealth, privilege and worldly success, and then we fret and we worry and we spend hours and hours of our lives preoccupied with secondary and relatively unimportant things. But when we see our lives and our world from the standpoint of the highest cause, from God's point of view, that same kind of peace and serenity ... invades our souls," he said. This high viewpoint, he added, is ultimately the hilltop of Calvary from which we see the whole world from the standpoint of self-emptying love. Bishop Barron's lecture at the Angelicum University offered a Thomistic response to a postmodern critique that a person's gift-giving can never be completely altruistic. What makes all the difference in the particular Christian claim is that divine manner can through grace become our being and action, he explained. This occurs through the divine indwelling of the one whose proper name is donum, gift, he said, referring to the Holy Spirit. Barron told CNA that this is just one of the ways Aquinas can help to bring truth and clarity to our culture permeated by postmodern ideas, like today's culture of self-invention. Most young people in America would believe that that there's your truth, my truth, but there is no real objective truth, and so I make it up. I think that is the form of postmodernism that is really dangerous, he said. If there is no real truth, there is no real goodness, there is no objective value — Aquinas would stand with the great classical tradition, the Biblical tradition in affirming the objectivity of truth and value, and the idea is not to make it up on my own, but to learn to love it, he continued. When you fall in love with objective value, that is when life gets very wonderful. You get outside of the narrow range of your own preoccupations and you fall in love with something that calls to you from beyond your ego, Barron said.





Immaculate Conception Cathedral School senior Angie Trinh has been named a 2019 recipient of the prestigious Clarence Day Scholarship at Rhodes College. Based on academic achievement and involvement with the Memphis community, the highly selective award pays \$35,000 toward enrollment costs at Rhodes and is awarded to just 10 incoming freshmen each year. Recipients must demonstrate a passion for Memphis and a desire to continue making a difference in the city. Throughout their time at Rhodes, Day Scholars have opportunities to participate in campus and community events related to the Day Foundation and Memphis leadership initiatives.

## ICCS Students Celebrate St. Joseph Day with Multicultural Altar

Immaculate Conception Cathedral School 3rd-grade religion students created a multicultural St. Joseph Altar on Tuesday, March 19. Using the Sicilian tradition of an altar with bread and other items, the altar had a variety of breads from a panadería, a local Hispanic bakery.



## ICCS High School Students Participate in National French Exam

A group of Immaculate Conception Cathedral School high school students recently participated in the National French Exam, with all receiving Certificates of Merit. L-R: Michal Kennell '19, Samantha Oswald, '20, French teacher Samia Attallah, Paris Hall '21, Cing (Cindy) Huai '21.

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