



**FAITH \* FAMILY \* EXCELLENCE.** These are Lumen Christi's Core Values. In this issue of the Lumen Messenger, we dedicate one page to each Core Value, with photos and text to share how Lumen Christi students are living out that particular Core Value in their lives at school. Thank you for your past and future support of Lumen Christi Catholic High School.

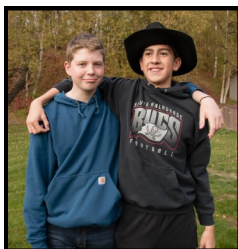
# FAITH



Our annual high school retreat to St. Therese's Camp at Nikalson Lake near Wasilla was a great success! This year's theme was "Respect and Service" and the facilitators Mike and Claire, who came up from North Carolina, created funny and thought-provoking activities. We celebrated Mass and had ample time for Adoration and confessions. And there was plenty of unstructured free-time for our students to socialize, communicate or simply just be. It is safe to say that a great time was had by all. Thank you to all of our parent volunteers!



Sabrina and Trey prepare to bring forth the gifts of bread and wine at one of the retreat Masses. The two-day retreat was a great time to connect with our Lord and one another. A great time!



Karin, a Junior, finds some quiet time to prepare for Mass in the midst of a stunningly-beautiful day.

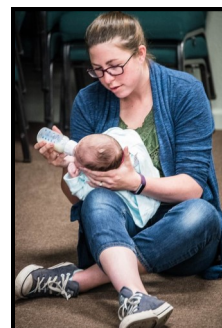


Zoey's first retreat!



"Mighty Mike!"

The retreat offered a great opportunity to connect with friends and "hang out!"





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Lumen's library has been rededicated to match the needs of a 2018 student and those of a wider community. The former library was dismantled and redesigned. It now has faster, wireless computers, USB charging outlets, more open room and movable (and fun!) furniture to accommodate a wide range of learning and teaching opportunities. Our students poured into the new space with great enthusiasm!



A few more photos from the retreat. There was a big emphasis on building community and just having fun with one another. A memorable photo of "WOOSHA" and enjoying another "culinary-delight!"



Special thanks to our parents who pitched in as cooks and cabin chaperones. With so much help this year our kids could blow off steam in the GaGa Pit and enjoy some quiet time by the lake. Awesome!



Staff having a blast!



S'mores time!

## HOMECOMING BONFIRE



On the night before the Homecoming Dance students gathered behind the gym for a night full of fun and good times. Thanks, Student Government!



Good friendships!



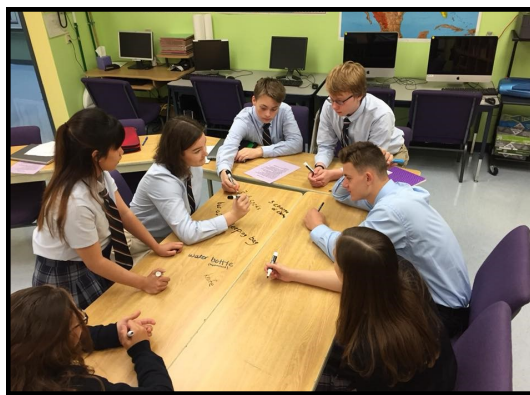
Dad and daughter!



# EXCELLENCE



Student-led choirs are part of our weekly celebration of Mass each Thursday in the main church along with Saint Benedict parishioners. All of our choir members and musicians practice a couple of days before Mass. In our student chapel (pictured here) we have daily Mass for the other weekdays, beginning at 7:15am.



Students in Dr. Carlson's US Literature class go on a pilgrimage and travel by foot. They prepare for the trip and have to decide what to bring. They are required to give a total weight amount of everything they take. This activity is connected to "The Way to Rainy Mountain" that is studied in class.



Congratulations to our junior high soccer team who earned third place in the Alaska Christian Schools Athletic Association Championship! Congrats to Natalie and David who earned All Tournament honors! Both students belong to the Class of 2023. Way to go, Archangels! A great season!

**"And then some..."**



This special award recognizes a student who has gone "above and beyond" in their service to their fellow students and school. Presented only to the most deserving students, this year's award goes to Anthony. He was unanimously chosen by faculty and staff because he goes above and beyond to help out his classmates and others within the school. He is always polite and quick to lend a hand when needed. He exemplifies our Core Values of Faith, Family, and Excellence daily...and then some!