



## Words for November

October is coming to an end. November is the month to think of the dead in Catholicism. Many Catholic people pray to God for the peace of dead people. When I was in Europe, I visited a famous musician's tomb. It was in Austria. It was in a beautiful park. Then, I had a chance to travel to Hawaii and saw graves. American graves were very simple; there were many crosses in the wide grassland. People who died in the war were sleeping under the crosses there. It was impressive and memorable.

You are living on this earth. Humans are said to live on earth for decades up to a hundred years. We will go to heaven after that. You are still young, all people become old and die someday. However, in the Catholic belief, we believe that life is eternal, and that heaven exists. We have words, the Communion of Saints. Souls in heaven, purgatory and on earth do and interchange good deeds with each other and help each other. All those who have passed away are in heaven or purgatory. In purgatory, they make atonement for their sins. The dead disappear from the ground, but their life will last. Life changes but continues to exist. We inherit the beautiful deeds and words left by the deceased people as history. They may be grateful to you if you visit their graves and lay beautiful flowers at their graves. Reflecting on your deed, God will have pity on them through Mother Mary.

I am sometimes asked by our students, "How old are you, Principal?" Once I told them that I was one hundred years old, one of the children said, "That's great!" I don't know if it is good or not, someday my life will end. I will be gone from this ground. Not only for dead people, but also for the people suffering from coronavirus now, please pray to God for their quick recovery.

There is a place called Lisieux in northern France. There is a monastery of Carmelites there. A saint named Therese de Lisieux or the little flower of Jesus is sleeping there forever. She died in the monastery at the age of 24. She prayed every day and did a lot of work for others such as cleaning, washing, and cooking. Before she died, she said to other people, "I will pass away soon, I will be gone to heaven. After I have gone to heaven, I will keep sending beautiful bouquets to you through God's hands so that God may protect you and give you light." Today, we can find a sanctuary, Basilica of Saint Therese in Lisieux. People from many places all over the world visit this church and pray for her.

Some of you may have been baptized. I hope you will believe in eternal life and courageously proceed to what God will give you on this earth.

*D. Tagawa S.M.*

## **Monthly Verse**

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

Heureux les miséricordieux, car ils obtiendront miséricorde. (Matthew 5:7)

## **Monthly Hymn**

Everyone

## **Monthly Quote**

Let's find the good points in our friends and appreciate each other.

## **Monthly Safety Goal**

Let's keep silent on the bus.

## **English Test**

On October 2<sup>nd</sup> (Saturday) Eiken was held. Test results and information regarding the second test will be mailed directly to test takers' homes. First part exam results will be sent to you on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. The second test will be held on November 14<sup>th</sup>. Please consult your application forms for test locations. Results for the second test are expected to be sent on November 30<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday).

## **Parent Teacher Interviews**

Parent- teacher interviews will begin from November 8<sup>th</sup>. We are requesting for your kind cooperation when you come to the school and observe the following:

1. Check your temperature before coming to school.
2. Come to school a 5 minutes before your appointment time.
3. Bring your indoor shoes/slippers, wear a mask and disinfect your hands.
4. Register your name and time of arrival at the entrance.
5. After registration, proceed to the area between the classroom and wait. (If the meeting is not in the classroom, wait for the teacher to guide you).
6. Students are not allowed to wait for their parents in school during the meeting time for after school appointment.

## **Class Observation Day**

The scheduled class observation on Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled for preventional measures against COVID 19 which is by not inviting large number of people in a classroom that would last within this year and also there will be no DVD distribution.

## **2021 Science Projects Posters**

The scheduled Science project presentations by posters on November 20<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) has been rescheduled next December 6<sup>th</sup> (Monday). The presentations is with posters to be posted on the walls of outside the classrooms or hallways.

-Student works or posters will be posted on the hallways and no presentations sessions.

- Students in every class will visit following a schedule.
- Students will be asked to choose the best work and write a note or message in a card.
- Message cards will be given to the student through the homeroom teacher.



### **French Test**

On November 21<sup>st</sup> (Sunday), the 2021 Autumn French Test will take place in our school using the grade 5B and 6B classrooms. There are 26 students examinees. There is no school bus services since it is a Sunday.

Schedule: Level Pre 1 – 10:20~12:55, Level 2 – 14:00~16:25, Level 3 – 15:20~16:35, Level 4 – 12:10~13:10, Level 5 – 10:20~11:05

Notifications of results will be mailed from the association office.

### **Entrance Tests for Junior High School**

For our sixth grade students, our junior high school department will be holding an entrance examination on December 1<sup>st</sup>(Wednesday) The tests will cover Japanese and Math. For more detailed information, please check from the letter distributed at a later date..

### **Maria Boutique**

Samples of winter coat are now available in Maria boutique. If you are interested in purchasing, please try to check with the sample before placing an order. It will take about two weeks to arrive/deliver. Stocks are not available in the boutique, parents are requested to visit to purchase and students are not allowed buy items by themselves. Upon visiting the boutique, kindly use the parking spaces and do not park your car in front to prevent obstruction.

### **Students Account Fund**

Students who took English (Eiken) and Math (Suken) test will be charged for the fees thru deduction this month from the student accounts. Details of the statement will be mailed every month so please make sure to check if your child's account has enough fund. When making money transfer, please do not forget to write your child's name and ID number.

Account information:

Mitsubishi UFJ Bank Kisarazu Branch (Savings Account) 0279121 or

Chiba Bank Kisarazu Branch (Savings Account) 1100029



Schedule for November		Departure Time	After School
1 Mon.	P.C. for B course	14:45	—
2 Tue.		14:45	—
3 Wed.	Culture Day		
4 Thurs.		14:45	—
5 Fri.		14:45	—
6 Sat.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Entrance Test (Half Day)	<b>12:00</b>	—
7 Sun.			
8 Mon.	P.C. for A course/Start of parents-Teacher conference (until 20)	14:45	—
9 Tue.		14:45	—
10 Wed.		14:45	—
11 Thurs.		14:45	—
12 Fri.		14:45	—
13 Sat.		<b>12:45</b>	—
14 Sun.			
15 Mon.	P.C. for B Course	14:45	—
16 Tue.		14:45	—
17 Wed.		14:45	—
18 Thurs.		14:45	—
19 Fri.		14:45	—
20 Sat.	Last day of Parents-Teacher Conference	<b>12:45</b>	—
21 Sun.	French Test		
22 Mon.	P.C. for A Course	14:45	—
23 Tue.	Labor Thanksgiving Day/ Online Explanation Session for H.S.		
24 Wed.		14:45	—
25 Thurs.		14:45	—
26 Fri.		14:45	—
27 Sat.	Online Teachers Seminar		
28 Sun.	Advent 1st Sunday		
29 Mon.	P.C. for B Course	14:45	—
30 Tue.		14:45	—
Note	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nov. 6– Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> Entrance Test and dismissal time will be <b>at 12:00</b>.</li> <li>• Nov. 8-20 Individual Parents-Teacher Conference. No supplementary lessons and activities after school.</li> <li>• No committee and club meetings, supplementary guidance will be provided if necessary.</li> <li>• From Nov. 10~14 Jr. and Sr. High School break.</li> </ul>		

