



ST. COLUMBAN
SCHOOL

FIFTH GRADE CURRICULUM

Celebrating our gifts in and beyond the classroom.

RELIGION

Using their Bibles, students learn Scripture, study the Stations of the Cross, and explore saints, the liturgical calendar, and human sexuality. They also train as altar servers.

MATH

Focus is on abstract skills and solidifying basic arithmetic (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division of whole numbers, decimals, and fractions). Key areas include critical thinking, problem solving, geometry, and data measurement, using the Sadlier Math textbook and Simple Solutions workbook.

READING & LANGUAGE ARTS

Students read novels across genres, enhancing vocabulary with biweekly units. They practice various writing styles (opinion, persuasive, informative, personal narrative) and grammar, utilizing Google Classroom and Microsoft Office.

SCIENCE & HEALTH

The curriculum covers the nature of science, the design process, ecosystems, the solar system, motion, forces, and forms of energy.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Students study Geography of Central America, South America and Africa and the early Civilizations.

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

At year's end, we'll visit the Loveland Library for a summer reading program, have lunch, and go to a park. We've also gone to the Museum Center. Every other year, we visit the Cincinnati Zoo and create a volume zoo, plus present the Stations of the Cross to the school.

