

St. Scholastica's Stormy Weather Contest!

St. Scholastica, sister of St. Benedict, consecrated her life to God from her earliest youth. After her brother went to Monte Cassino, where he established his famous monastery, she took up her abode in the neighborhood at Plombariola, where she founded and governed a monastery of nuns, about five miles from that of St. Benedict, who, it appears, also directed his sister and her nuns. She visited her brother once a year, and as she was not allowed to enter his monastery, he went in company with some of his brethren to meet her at a house some distance away. These visits were spent in conferring together on spiritual matters. On one occasion they had passed the time as usual in prayer and pious conversation and in the evening they sat down to take their reflection. St. Scholastica begged her brother to remain until the next day. St. Benedict refused to spend the night outside his monastery. She had recourse to prayer and a furious thunderstorm burst so that neither St. Benedict nor any of his companions could return home. They spent the night in spiritual conferences. The next morning they parted to meet no more on earth. Three days later St. Scholastica died, and her holy brother beheld her soul in a vision as it ascended into heaven. He sent his brethren to bring her body to his monastery and laid it in the tomb he had prepared for himself. She died about the year 543, and St. Benedict followed her soon after. Her feast day is February 10th.

A little contest is being sponsored by Mrs. Slaven to see who comes the closest to the first SNOW DAY (on the VVS Schedule). The date, however, can not be passed up and must be a FULL day off school....delays don't count. Of course, while we are home all day, we will be in "spiritual conferences"!

The prize? One is the honor of winning, but I will also provide the winner with a gift certificate for a FROSTY!!! (I was thinking more of using a Blizzard, but we don't have any DairyQueens around).

Using your school calendar (also posted on the VVS website), choose the date you believe will be the first snow day.

RULES

This is for all students grades 1-12 registered in St. Helena's RE program.

All entries must be returned by November 15

You can use the back of this sheet, our st-helenas-re website, or let your religion teacher know.

Make sure you submit you first and last name with the date you choose.

May the best meteorologist win!

- PS: St. Scholastica's Feast
- day is Feb. 10.
- Last year's first snow day
- was not until February 25th!
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