

5th Grade Girls Are St. Therese Tournament Champions

The 5th grade girls team captained by Maddie Flaughter took home the St. Therese Tournament championship on Thursday, February 25. And the team (see pictured back row Alexa Schaufler, Jessie Hehn, Maddie Flaughter, Olivia Cooney; front row Courtney Godbey, Lauren Greely, Kendall Hehn, Cassandra Spoonamore) did it in heart-stopping fashion.

The girls earned the right to play in the championship game by beating St. Catherine by a score of 21 – 18. The team never trailed this game, but couldn't shake the pesky Colts. Leading 19 – 18 with under a minute left, Maddie rebounded a missed free throw and scored the putback to seal the victory. Olivia scored six points and Cassandra chipped in with 2.

The Saints then took on St. Therese on their home court for the championship. Throughout the game, the Saints never led but managed to be tied with the Mustangs 16 – 16 with under a minute to go. Maddie took an inbounds pass to the baseline and popped in a 10-footer for the go-ahead bucket. With 10 seconds left, she made both ends of a one-and-one to lock up the championship for the Saints by a score of 20 - 16. She earlier had hit buzzer-beaters at the end of the second and third quarters. Olivia kicked in with 4 points and Jessie had 2.

The team finished the year with a winning record of 7 and 6. A terrific job done by the 5th graders!