

## SFds Celebrates the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

Historical belief has held that on many occasions, God has rewarded the faithful, who in times of danger, showed special devotion to reciting the Rosary. To commemorate the anniversary of the defeat of the Turkish fleet at the battle of Lepanto in October 1571, Pope Pius V declared October 7<sup>th</sup> to be the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. On this day, everyone is called to meditate upon the mysteries of Christ, following the example of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Each year at St. Francis de Sales, 8<sup>th</sup> grade students take part in a Living Rosary. Together, the students form the shape of a rosary around the altar, and each student is assigned a particular prayer of the rosary. Our Living Rosary has become a solemn and prayerful event for the entire school and a beloved tradition.

